

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

CWP No. 20317 of 2021

DATE OF DECISION :- October 05, 2021

Neeraj Verma and another

...Petitioners

Versus

**Guru Jambheshwar University of Science and Technology, Hisar and
another**

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE H.S. MADHAN

Present:- Mr. Shireesh Gupta, Advocate for the petitioners.

The case has been taken up through Video Conferencing.

Petitioners Neeraj Verma and Smt. Ritu, both working as Assistant Professors on contract basis with Guru Jambheshwar University of Science and Technology, Hisar, Haryana are feeling aggrieved by the University not extending their contract period contending that in the earlier writ petitions filed by the petitioners and others i.e. CWP-34689-2018 (O&M) and other connected matters decided on 15.7.2021 (Annexure P-8), learned counsel for the respondent University had submitted that petitioners would not be replaced with another set of contractual employees as the University does not intend to do so unless and until any employee misconducts himself/herself during the tenure and further counsel for the respondent University had submitted that the petitioners would be allowed to continue service till the date University is of the opinion that workload exists and the services of the petitioners are required to discharge the said

workload. Such contentions of learned counsel for respondent University are recorded on internal page 3 of the judgment. Learned counsel for the petitioners has further contended that as per information obtained by the petitioners under Right to Information Act sufficient workload is there justifying the University rehiring the petitioners. Learned counsel for the petitioners has contended that the petitioners had got served a legal notice upon the respondent University dated 20.8.2021 (Annexure P-11) but that has not evoked any response. He has contended that the petitioners would be satisfied if respondent University is directed to dispose of the said legal notice in a time bound manner.

Keeping in view the nature of the dispute between the parties as well as prayer made by the petitioners, for the purpose of enabling respondents to consider the claim of petitioners and then to take appropriate action, if need be and further to avoid unnecessary litigation, the writ petition is disposed of directing the respondents to consider and dispose of legal notice dated 20.8.2021 in accordance with law, rules, regulations and instructions on the subject within a period of two months from the date of receipt of copy of the order and if some action in the matter is warranted then the needful be done in accordance with law. A speaking order in that regard be passed, which be conveyed to the petitioners as per Registered A.D. Post.

(H.S. MADAAN)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether Reportable

Yes/No