

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

**CWP No.23270 of 2021 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 17.11.2021**

Harbhajan Singh and another

..... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU

Present:- Mr. Ritesh Aggarwal, Advocate for the petitioners.

MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU, J.

Present writ petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ in the nature of *mandamus* directing the respondents to consider and promote the petitioners as Junior Engineers in accordance with the Punjab Water Supply and Sanitation Junior Engineers (Group 'B') Service Rules, 2017 as amended from time to time.

At the outset, learned Counsel on instructions from the petitioners submits that instead of pressing the present petition on merits, his clients would be satisfied in case the Legal Notice dated 25.09.2021 (P-6), pending with the respondent(s), is considered and decided expeditiously.

Notice of motion to the aforesaid limited extent.

On asking of the Court, Ms. Maloo Chahal, DAG, Punjab, who is present in the Court, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents and raises no objection against the innocuous prayer of the petitioners.

In view of the agreed stand taken by both sides, but without going into the merits of the controversy, this writ petition is disposed off with direction to respondent No.1-Secretary to Government of Punjab, Department of Water Supply and Sanitation to consider and decide the aforesaid Legal Notice dated 25.09.2021 (P-6) in accordance with law by passing speaking order preferably within a period of four months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

November 17th, 2021
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(MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU)
JUDGE

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether Reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>