

CWP-23670-2021

Date of Decision : 23.11.2021

Iqbal Singh and others

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

Coram : Hon'ble Mr. Justice B.S. Walia

Present : Mr. Baljeet Singh Sidhu, Advocate for the petitioners.

B.S. Walia, J. (Oral)

1. Prayer in the instant petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India is for the issuance of a writ in the nature of Mandamus directing the respondents to count service rendered by the petitioners on the post of SPO as qualifying service for the purpose of grant of Local Rank as ASI/LR, in view of letter/circular Annexure P/7 dated 23.01.2020, as granted to similarly situated persons vide Annexure P/8.

2. At the outset, learned counsel contends that the petitioners have served legal notice Annexure P/9 dated 14.07.2021, on respondent No.2, but no decision has been taken in respect thereto till date, therefore, in the circumstances, the petitioners would be satisfied if the writ petition is disposed of by directing respondent No.2 to consider and decide legal notice Annexure P/9 dated 14.07.2021, in accordance with law, in a time bound manner.

3. Notice of motion to respondent No.2 only.

4. Ms. Jasleen Sidhu, AAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondent No.2 and on perusal of the writ petition states that she has no

objection to the limited prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioners.

5. I have considered the submissions of learned counsel, gone over the paper book and in view thereof as well as statement of learned counsel but without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, dispose of the writ petition by directing respondent No.2 to consider and decide the claim made in legal notice Annexure P/9 dated 14.07.2021, in accordance with law after taking into account all aspects of the matter, including the judgment of this Court Annexure P/10 dated 01.09.2020, in case the same is applicable, within four months of the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

(B.S. Walia)
Judge

23.11.2021

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Whether speaking/ reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether reportable	:	Yes/No