

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CWP-124-2003

Date of decision: 14.11.2022

Ashok Kumar

...Petitioner

Vs.

State of Haryana and another

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA**Present:** None for the petitioner.

Mr. R.D.Sharma, DAG, Haryana.

ARUN MONGA, J. (ORAL)

Petition herein, *inter alia*, is for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to regularize the services of the petitioner as Motor Mechanic and to pay the minimum of the regular pay scale with retrospective effect as paid to regular employees on the principle of 'equal pay for equal work.'

2. Petition was admitted for hearing on 21.08.2004.

3. When taken up for final adjudication, there is no representation on behalf of the petitioner. Vide order dated 22.09.2022, fresh notice was ordered to be sent to the petitioner. As per office report, notice issued to the petitioner has been received back unserved with the report that no such person is working here. Particulars of the address given as per the 'Memo of Parties' reflects that on the given office address service may not be possible as no residential address and/or any specific particulars thereof has been given and it is merely an office address where at the relevant time petitioner was serving.

4. It seems that by sheer effluxion of time and pendency of the writ petition for more than 19 years before this Court, either it has been rendered

infructuous or even otherwise the petitioner seems to have lost interest in pursuing the same.

5. Be that as it may, writ petition is disposed of with liberty to the petitioner to file an appropriate application in case any cause of action still survives.

(ARUN MONGA)
JUDGE

November 14, 2022

Vandana

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether reportable: Yes/No