

**221 (1) IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH**

1.CWP-3459-2021 (O&M)

SI Sukhwinder Singh and others

....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..Respondents

2.CWP-18128-2021 (O&M)

SI Harminder Singh and others

....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..Respondents

Date of decision: 15.02.2022

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL

Present: Mr. Yagyadeep, Advocate for the petitioners

Mr. Ayush Sarna, AAG, Punjab

ANIL KSHETARPAL, J (Oral)

By this order, two Civil Writ Petitions i.e CWP-3459-2021 and CWP-18128-2021 shall stand disposed of.

The petitioners in two writ petitions pray for issuance of a writ in the nature of Mandamus to direct the respondents to allow them to withdraw their option to join the District Police Cadre. In other words, the petitioners pray that they should be permitted to go back to the armed cadre.

It is not in dispute that the petitioners themselves opted for being included in the District Police Cadre.

Learned counsel representing the petitioners has failed to

draw the attention of the Court to any statutory provision or instructions permitting the employees to withdraw their option. Learned counsel submits that in another cadre, the Director General of Police has directed certain officers to withdraw their options. Admittedly, in District Police Cadre, no one has been permitted to withdraw his/her option. The petitioners do not claim that they are entitled to withdraw the option under any service rules/instructions. In these circumstances, this Bench does not find it appropriate to issue a writ of Mandamus.

Hence, dismissed.

All the pending miscellaneous applications, if any, are also disposed of.

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No

**(ANIL KSHETARPAL)
JUDGE**