

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

CWP-12307-2000 (O&M)

Date of decision: May 24, 2022

Dilbag Singh

.....Petitioner

versus

State of Haryana and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA

Present: Mr. Ashish Gupta, Advocate for
Mr. R.K. Gupta, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. R.D. Sharma, DAG Haryana.

ARUN MONGA, J. (ORAL)

Petitioner herein, seeks issuance of a writ in the nature of Certiorari to quash an order dated 19.07.2000 (Annexure P-8) passed by respondent No.3 whereby respondent No.3 declined the claim of the petitioner to grant him pay-scale of Rs.1200-2040 w.e.f. 01.05.1990. Issuance of a writ in the nature of Mandamus is also sought, commanding the respondents to pay the revised pay scale of Rs.1200-2400 to the petitioner w.e.f. 01.05.1990 alongwith arrears upto date, alongwith interest @ 18% per annum.

2. Petition was admitted for hearing in the year 2003 and is sub judice ever since. When taken up for final adjudication, after around 21 years, both the learned counsels are unable to assist the Court for lack of instructions. Learned Senior counsel for the petitioner states that despite attempts, the office of filing/instructing counsel could not contact the petitioner. In the premise, no useful purpose would be served to issue fresh

notice to the petitioner as the same too would be an exercise in futile. Even the address of the petitioner is also perhaps not complete as is borne out from the memo of parties.

3. Whereas, on the other hand learned counsel for the State submits that he made attempts to get instructions from the office representatives of the respondents, but for lack of any assistance, he is unable to address arguments.

4. It seems that by sheer effluxion of time and pendency of the writ petition for more than 21 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

May 24, 2022

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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether reportable: Yes/No