

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

CWP-6377-2003 (O&M)

Date of decision: November 17, 2022

Shakti Parkash Sharma

.....Petitioner

versus

State of Haryana and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA

Present: Mr. Vivek Singla, Advocate 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 Certiorari for quashing impugned orders dated 31.08.2001, 16.01.2001, 30.04.2002 and 30.09.2002 (Annexures P-5 to P-8, respectively) whereby pay of the petitioner was fixed on promotional post of Deputy Superintendent by treating him as Assistant. Further issuance of a writ in the nature of Mandamus has been sought directing the respondents to grant additional increment to the petitioner as per Rule 4.4 (c) of Punjab Civil Services Rules, Volume 1, Part 1.

2. Petition was admitted for hearing on 29.07.2003.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner states that he is unable to assist the Court for lack of instructions. He states that despite repeated attempts, his office could not contact the petitioner. In the premise, no useful purpose would be served by issuing fresh notice to the petitioner as the same too would be an exercise in futility. Even the particular of addresses of the

petitioner is also perhaps not complete as is borne out from the memo of parties.

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 dismissed with liberty to the petitioner to file an appropriate application in case any cause of action still survives.

6. Pending application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed of.

(ARUN MONGA)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether reportable: Yes/No