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

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**CWP-5502-2022**

**Date of Decision: 21.03.2022**

Ajit Singh

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI**

Present: Mr. Harinder Sharma, Advocate,  
for the petitioner.

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**HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI J. (ORAL)**

Learned counsel for the petitioner argues that in the present case, an employee, namely Ashok Kumar, who was junior to the petitioner, has been promoted w.e.f. 25.06.2001. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that once Sh. Ashok Kumar has been granted the benefit of notional promotion, with effect from the date when Smt. Shanta Rani was promoted, the petitioner, who is senior to both of them, also becomes entitled for the grant of same benefit, with effect from the date Sh. Ashok Kumar and Smt. Shanta Rani were promoted, i.e. from 25.06.2001.

Learned counsel for the petitioner further submits the said grievance has already been raised by the petitioner before the competent Authority in the form of legal notice dated 27.08.2021 (Annexure P-4) but the same is still pending consideration with the Authority concerned which is causing prejudice to him.

Learned counsel for the petitioner further submits that the petitioner will be satisfied at this stage, in case a time bound direction is

given to the respondents to decide the said legal notice dated 27.08.2021 (Annexure P-4) by passing an appropriate speaking order.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Navdeep Chhabra, DAG, Punjab, keeping in view the advance service of copy of the petition, accepts notice on behalf of the State and raises no objection, in case prayer made hereinbefore on behalf of the petitioner for deciding the legal notice dated 27.08.2021 (Annexure P-4) in a time bound manner is accepted.

Keeping in view the facts and circumstances of this case and without going into merits of the claim as raised by the petitioner in the present case as well as in the legal notice dated 27.08.2021, this petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 to pass an appropriate speaking order on the legal notice dated 27.08.2021 (Annexure P-4), filed by the petitioner, within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of the copy of this order.

**21.03.2022***Apurva***(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)  
JUDGE**

1. Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes
2. Whether reportable : No