

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

CWP-4054-1998

Date of decision: 27.10.2022

Nand Lal and others

...Petitioners

VS

State of Haryana and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA

Present: Ms. Alka Chatrath, Advocate,
For the petitioners.

Mr. Saurabh Mohunta, DAG, Haryana.

ARUN MONGA, J. (ORAL)

Writ petition was filed some time in the year 1998. Matter remained pending in motion hearing before a Division Bench of this Court.

When taken up for hearing on 28.08.2002, the following order was passed:

“CM No.26125 of 2002

C.M. allowed. Annexure P-11 to P-14 are taken on record.

CWP No.4054 of 1998

The learned counsel for the petitioners undertakes to file a complete comprehensive paper-book of the amended petition.

Allowed as prayed. Needful be done within one month. The learned State counsel may also file a comprehensive amended reply.

Put up as and when the needful is done.”

2. *Apropos*, no steps have been taken till date. Resultantly, the petition could not be listed for hearing before the Court. Ultimately, Registry realized that no steps have been taken and matter has been unnecessarily gathering dust in the Registry, and then file has been put up for hearing.

Today, on resumed hearing, after so many years, on being questioned as to

why no steps have been taken, no plausible explanation is coming forth from the petitioner's side.

3. In the premise, it appears that the petitioners, having filed this case in 1998, did not thereafter bother to pursue the same with the office of learned counsel, and obviously had clearly lost interest in pursuing the petition. It is difficult to believe that as long as for 24 years they did not approach the learned counsel to seek listing of the case.

4. In the premise, writ petition is dismissed on both counts i.e. for non-prosecution as well as non-compliance of the order dated 28.08.2002.

(ARUN MONGA)
JUDGE

October 27, 2022
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Whether speaking/reasoned:
Whether reportable:

Yes/No
Yes/No