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

CWP NO. 4898 OF 1998

DATE OF DECISION : 05.07.2022

Rattan Singh and others

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Haryana and others

...Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA

Present : Ms. Gulrukh Kaur Sidhu, Advocate for
Mr. Vikas Chatrath, Advocate
For the petitioners.

Mr. R. D. Sharma, DAG, Haryana.

ARUN MONGA, J. (ORAL)

Petitioners herein, *inter alia*, seek issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to grant revised pay scale of Rs.480-760 w.e.f 01.02.1981 and Rs.1200-2040 w.e.f 01.01.1986 instead of 01.05.1990 on revision of pay scales, as are being paid to similarly paid employees of other categories.

2. The matter was taken up for hearing on 28.04.2022 and time was sought by learned counsel for the petitioner to argue the matter. Subsequently again on 04.05.2022, an adjournment was sought pleading that some additional material is required to be placed on record.

3. Today, when taken up again, it is submitted by the learned counsel for the petitioner that he is not able to establish contact with the petitioner and one more opportunity may be given.

4. The writ petition was filed in the year 1998 and was admitted for hearing on 25.07.2001. It seems that by sheer effluxion of time and

pendency of the writ petition for more than 24 years before this Court, the petitioners seem to have lost interest in pursuing the petition and have not even maintained contact with the office of learned counsel perhaps for that reason. Even the memo of parties does not reflect the address of any of the petitioners other than the fact that they are working in Sub Division No.1, Water Works Division, Kurukshetra, from where in all probability they would have retired during the pendency of writ proceedings. Issuance of fresh notice to them by this Court would be an exercise in futility.

5. Be that as it may, the instant writ petition stands disposed of with liberty to learned counsel for the petitioners to establish contact with the petitioners and in case anything still survives, he is at liberty to file appropriate application at the subsequent stage.

JULY 05, 2022
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(ARUN MONGA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No
Whether reportable : Yes/No