

Sr. No. 441

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH
CWP-1760-2002

Date of decision: 12.12.2022

Shiv Ram Singh and others

....Petitioners

Vs.

State of Haryana and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA

Present: Mr. Sandeep Dhull, Advocate,
For the petitioners.

Mr. Pankaj Middha, Additional A.G., Haryana.

ARUN MONGA, J. (ORAL)

Petition herein, *inter alia*, is for issuance of a writ in the nature of certiorari for quashing impugned order dated 03.01.2002 (Annexure P-10) vide which claim of the petitioners for grant of pay scale at par with the patwaris of other departments was rejected.

2. Petition was admitted for hearing on 17.02.2003.

3. When taken up for final adjudication, learned counsel is unable to assist the Court for lack of instructions. Learned counsel for the petitioners states that despite repeated attempts, his office could not contact the petitioners. Particulars of the address given as per the 'Memo of Parties' reflect that on the given office address service may not be possible as no residential address and/or any specific particulars thereof has been given and it is merely an office address where at the relevant time petitioners were serving. In the premise, no useful purpose would be served by issuing fresh notice to the petitioners as the same too would be an exercise in futility.

4. It seems that by sheer effluxion of time and pendency of the writ petition for more than 20 years before this Court, either it has been rendered infructuous or else the petitioners seem to have lost interest in pursuing the same.

5. Be that as it may, writ petition is dismissed with liberty to the petitioners to file an appropriate application in case any cause of action still survives.

(ARUN MONGA)
JUDGE

December 12, 2022

Vandana

Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether reportable:

Yes/No