

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

CWP No. 9605 of 1997 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 20.04.2022

Rajesh Kumar and others ...Petitioners

Versus

The State of Haryana and another ...Respondents

Coram: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Arun Monga

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

Mr. Sharan Sethi, Additional Advocate General, Haryana.

Arun Monga, J. (Oral)

Petitioners are seeking issuance of a writ in the nature of Mandamus directing the respondents to grant pay parity to the petitioners with college lecturers/ librarians.

Petition was filed in the year 1997 and has been lying admitted ever since. When called for hearing after around 25 years, both learned counsels are unable to assist the Court for lack of instructions. Learned counsel for the petitioners states that despite attempts, her office could not contact the petitioners, who are as many as 13 in number, whereas on the other hand learned counsel for the State submits that he made attempts to get instructions from the office representatives of the Director, Archives Department, Haryana, but for lack of any assistance, he is unable to address arguments.

It seems that by sheer effluxion of time and pendency of the writ petition for about 25 years before this Court, either it has been rendered infructuous or even otherwise the petitioners seem to have lost interest in pursuing the same.

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

20.04.2022

(Arun Monga)
Judge

vs

Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether reportable:

Yes/No