

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

(276)

CWP-8410-2021

Date of Decision : May 12, 2022

Ranjana Devi and others

.. Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.. Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: Mr. Raj Kumar Arya, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Ms. Anju Sharma Kaushik, Deputy Advocate General,
Punjab.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI J. (ORAL)

Learned counsel for the petitioners argues that the husband of petitioner No.1 was working on higher post of Junior Engineer on current duty charge basis from 30.01.2013 to 25.01.2016 and hence, he was entitled for the higher pay keeping in view the settled principle of law. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that though the claim of the petitioners is covered by the settled principle of law but the benefit is not being granted to them without any valid justification.

Learned counsel for the petitioners further submits that the petitioners have already raised the said grievance before the respondents by filing a representation dated 05.06.2020 (Annexure P-9) which is still pending consideration with the respondents and the petitioners will be satisfied at this stage, in case a time bound direction is issued to respondent

No.1 to decide the said representation by passing an appropriate speaking order.

Learned counsel for the respondents raises no objection in deciding the representation dated 05.06.2020 (Annexure P-9) in a time bound manner by passing an appropriate speaking order.

Without commenting upon the merits of the case or about the entitlement of the petitioners for the relief which has been claimed by them in the representation dated 05.06.2020 (Annexure P-9), the present writ petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.1 to decide the representation dated 05.06.2020 (Annexure P-9) within a period of eight weeks from the receipt of copy of this order.

In case, it is found that the petitioners are entitled for the monetary benefits after the decision of the representation, the same should also be paid to the petitioners within four weeks thereafter.

May 12, 2022
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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No