

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

CWP-10006-2019 (O&M)

Date of decision: 22.11.2022

BHAWNA

...Petitioner

VS

STATE OF HARYANA AND ORS

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA

Present:- Mr. Rohit Mittal, Advocate,
For the petitioner.

Ms. Mamta Singla Talwar, DAG, Haryana.

Ms. Ashima Mor, Advocate,
For respondents No.2 and 3.

ARUN MONGA, J. (ORAL)

Petition herein, *inter alia*, is for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to grant the minimum of the regular pay scale to the petitioner.

2. The petitioner has been working on the post of Reader in Permanent Lok Adalat for Public Utility Services at Ambala since 21.04.2009, as per appointment letter dated 21.04.2009 (Annexure P-1).

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner refers to order passed by this Court in the case of one of such Readers i.e. ***Karam Pal and others V/s. State of Haryana and others, CWP No. 22747 of 2018*** whereby they were seeking benefit of minimum of the regular pay scale keeping in view the judgment passed by the Supreme Court in the case of ***State of Punjab and others V/s. Jagjit Singh and others, 2016(4) SCT 641***. This petition was disposed of by giving direction

to the respondents to decide the representation of the petitioners and make payment of arrears for 38 months alongwith 6% interest.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner states that this order has been complied with by the Member Secretary, Haryana State Legal Services Authority vide order dated 25.11.2019 (Annexure R2/2). Petitioner is seeking same benefit.

5. He further submits that petitioner submitted a representation dated 12.01.2018 (Annexure P-8) qua her aforesaid grievance but to no avail. Hence, the instant petition.

6. Learned State counsel as well as learned counsel for respondents No.2 and 3 submits that a decision will be taken by competent authority on the representation dated 12.01.2018 (Annexure P-8) by passing a speaking order.

6. Premised on the uncontroverted situation, that benefit has already been given to similarly situated employees vide order dated 25.11.2019 (Annexure R2/2), instant petition is also disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 to decide the representation of the petitioner dated 12.01.2018 (Annexure P-8) and pass appropriate orders, in accordance with law as expeditiously as possible, keeping in mind the order passed in ***CWP No. 22747 of 2018*** titled ***Karam Pal and others V/s. State of Haryana and others.***

(ARUN MONGA)
JUDGE

November 22, 2022

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Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether reportable:

Yes/No