

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

Sr. No.160

CWP No.12679 of 2022

Date of Decision: 01.06.2022

Baljinder Singh and others

.... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: Mr. Pawan Kumar Goklaney, Advocate
for the petitioners.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI, J. (ORAL)

Learned counsel for the petitioners argues that the petitioners were in service prior to 01.01.2004 and though their services were regularized after the judgment rendered by Hon'ble Division Bench of this Court in **CWP No.2371 of 2010** titled **Harbans Lal versus State of Punjab and others**, decided on 31.08.2010, but keeping in view the said judgment, the petitioners are also entitled for the release of pensionary benefits under the Old Pension Scheme.

Learned counsel for the petitioners further submits that the grievance raised in this petition, has already been raised before the respondents by serving upon them a legal notice dated 21.03.2022 (Annexure P-10), which is pending consideration with the respondents and the petitioners will be satisfied at this stage, in case a time bound direction is issued to the respondents to decide the said legal notice by passing an appropriate speaking order.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Navdeep Chhabra, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab, who is present in the Court, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents and raises no objection in deciding the legal notice dated 21.03.2022 (Annexure P-10) 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 legal notice dated 21.03.2022 (Annexure P-10), the present writ petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 to decide the legal notice dated 21.03.2022 (Annexure P-10) within a period of eight weeks from the receipt of copy of this order by passing an appropriate speaking order.

(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

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