

CWP-16259-2022

Date of decision : July 28, 2022

ONKAR SINGH AND OTHERS

.....Petitioners

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

....Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE LISA GILL

Present: Mr. Nitesh Singla, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Navdeep Chhabra, DAG, Punjab.

LISA GILL, J.

Learned counsel for the petitioners contends that petitioners at the time of retirement have completed 12 months' continuous service which entitles them to grant of one annual increment. However, said period has not been taken in account for grant of increment to be added in the pay of petitioners for computing their pecuniary benefits. Reliance is placed upon decision dated 16.03.2022 in CWP-32598-2019, titled **Gurdev Singh and others Vs. State of Punjab and another**. Learned counsel submits that petitioners legal notice dated 26.04.2022 (Annexure P-3) has been served but to no avail.

At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioners restricts his prayer for a decision on the legal notice dated 26.04.2022 (Annexure P-3), in a time bound manner.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Navdeep Chhabra, DAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf

of the respondents. Advance copy of the writ petition stands served. Learned

counsel for the State does not raise any serious objection to the limited prayer addressed.

Keeping in view the facts and circumstances of this case, but without any expression of opinion on the merits of the matter, this petition is disposed of with a direction to the competent authority to consider and decide legal notice dated 26.04.2022 (Annexure P-3), within a period of three months from receipt of certified copy of this order. In case, petitioners are found entitled to any monetary benefit, it be released within the next two months.

Petition is disposed of accordingly.

July 28, 2022
rts

(LISA GILL)
JUDGE

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