

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

(134)

CWP-16009-2022

Date of Decision : July 26, 2022

Sunita

.. Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana and others

.. Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: Mr. Sajjan Singh, Advocate, for the petitioner.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI J. (ORAL)

Learned counsel for the petitioner argues that as per the respondents, the Extension Lecturers, who are eligible as per the rules governing the service, are to be paid monthly salary of Rs.57,700/- and the Extension Lecturers, who are working with the Department already but does not fulfil the qualification as mentioned in the rules, are to be paid Rs.35,400/-. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that though according to the petitioner, the petitioner fulfils all the eligibility qualification for appointment to the post of Extension Lecturer and is entitled for the grant of monthly salary of Rs.57,700/- but the same is not being paid to her and that too without any valid justification.

Learned counsel for the petitioner further submits that in any case, once the ineligible Extension Lecturers have been allowed the salary of Rs.35,400/-, the petitioner, is at least entitled for the same under any circumstances but the petitioner is being given the consolidated salary of

Rs.25,000/- which is arbitrary and illegal, hence, the respondents are liable to be directed to grant the petitioner the salary as admissible to the Extension Lecturers.

Learned counsel for the petitioner further submits that for the grievance which has been raised in the present petition, the petitioner has already approached the respondents by serving upon them a legal notice dated 13.12.2021 (Annexure P-9), which is still pending consideration with the respondents and the petitioner 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. Harish Nain, learned Assistant Advocate General, Haryana, who is present in the Court, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents.

Learned counsel for the respondents raises no objection in deciding the legal notice of the petitioner dated 13.12.2021 (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 petitioner for the relief which has been claimed by her in the legal notice dated 13.12.2021 (Annexure P-9), the present writ petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 to decide the legal notice dated 13.12.2021 (Annexure P-9) within a period of eight weeks from the receipt of copy of this order.

July 26, 2022
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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes
Whether reportable : No