

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

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CWP No.17452 of 2022
DATE OF DECISION : 8th AUGUST, 2022

Dr. Maninder Karan & others

.... Petitioner

Versus

**Panjab University, Sector-14, Chandigarh through its Registrar and
others**

.... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJBIR SEHRAWAT

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Present : Mr. Sameer Sachdeva, Advocate for the petitioners.

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RAJBIR SEHRAWAT, J. (Oral)

The petitioners have filed this petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India, for issuance of an appropriate writ , order or direction to the respondents to allow the petitioners to continue in service up to the age of 65 years with all consequential benefits at par with teachers in LPA NO.1505 of 2016, in view of the Panjab University's own decision to adopt and implement the UGC Regulations, 2010 and as per the amendment initiated in Clause 17.3 of Chapter VI(A) of University Calendar at the specific instance of Central Government; along with certain other prayers.

The prayer in the present petition is that the petitioners should not be retired from service; in the Panjab University, till they attain the age of 65 years.

This Court finds that the identical issue has already been considered and decided by a Coordinate Bench by a detailed judgment running into 114 pages rendered in ***CWP No. 11988 of 2014, decided on***

16.8.2014 titled as ***Dr. Bhura Singh Ghuman v. Panjab University, Chandigarh and others***, after considering all the issues sought to be addressed before that Bench. Hence, this Court is of the considered view that the claim raised by the petitioners in the present petition is squarely covered by the said judgment.

Although, counsel for the petitioners has relied upon the judgment rendered by a Division Bench of this Court in ***CWP No. 20447 of 2020*** titled as ***Dr. Jogender Pal Singh and others v. Union of India and others*** decided on 1.3.2021, however, that judgment is not relevant for the purpose of cases relating to the Panjab University and affiliated colleges because that case is exclusively relating to the Punjab Engineering College, which is a technical institute, statedly, established and controlled by the Union Territory, Chandigarh.

Accordingly, the present petition is dismissed in terms of the judgment rendered in case of ***CWP No. 11988 of 2014, decided on 16.8.2014*** titled as ***Dr. Bhura Singh Ghuman v. Panjab University, Chandigarh and others.***

8th AUGUST, 2022
'raj'

(RAJBIR SEHRAWAT)
JUDGE

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned:</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>No</i>
<i>Whether Reportable:</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>No</i>