

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

CWP-26708-2018 (O&M)

Date of decision: September 30, 2022

Sunish Kumar Katyal

.....Petitioner

versus

State of Haryana and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA

Present: Mr. Nitin Jain, Advocate for
Mr. Sandeep Thakan, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Saurabh Mohunta, DAG Haryana.

ARUN MONGA, J. (ORAL)

Petition herein, *inter alia*, is for issuance of a writ in the nature of Mandamus directing the respondents to consider claim of the petitioner for promotion under the handicap reserve category for the post of Deputy Director, and subsequent re-fixation/ step-up of pay as per Govt. Instructions dated 17/19.04.2017 (Annexure P-1) and letter dated 23.01.2018 (Annexure P-2).

2. Perusal of office order dated 24.07.2018 (Annexure P-7) from the Commissioner, Persons with Disabilities Social Justice and Empowerment Department, Haryana to the Additional Chief Secretary, Government of Haryana, Finance and Planning Department as well as Director, Economic and Statistical Analysis Department, Haryana, reveals that petitioner's case was recommended to the Department to give promotion on the basis of his qualifications w.e.f. the date he is held entitled. In the return filed on behalf of respondent No.2, aforesaid recommendation is not under contest.

3. On a Court query, it transpires that matter is still under consideration and no final decision has been taken. In the premise, there is hardly much for this Court to adjudicate except to dispose of the writ petition with the expectation from the respondents that given the inordinate delay, which has already been caused for taking decision, needful now be done within a period of 4 months from today by passing appropriate orders in terms of the recommendations *ibid*.

4. Disposed of, accordingly.

5. Pending application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed of.

(ARUN MONGA)
JUDGE

September 30, 2022

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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether reportable: Yes/No