

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

(246)

CWP-21821-2020

Date of Decision : 05.04.2022

Jagdeep Singh and others

...Petitioners

Versus

Pepsu Road Transport Corporation

....Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present:- Ms. Niharika Mittal, Advocate for
Mr. Vikas Chatrath, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Anupam Singla, Advocate for the respondent.

Harsimran Singh Sethi, J. (Oral)

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the grievance of the petitioners is that their case is covered by the judgment passed by this Court in CWP No.7239 of 2015 titled '**Labh Singh Dhaliwal and others Vs. State of Punjab**', 2020 (1) SCT 514 decided on 18.12.2019, but the benefits of the said judgment are not being extended to the similarly situated employees. Though, as per the judgment of the Division Bench in CWP No.4382 of 2002 titled '**Satbir Singh Vs. State of Haryana**' decided on 21.03.2002, all the similarly situated employees are to be extended the same benefits once the question of law is settled by the competent Court of law.

Learned counsel further submits that the grievance as raised in present petition has already been raised by the petitioner in the legal notice dated 03.09.2020 (Annexure P-17) which is still pending consideration with

the respondent and the petitioner will be satisfied, at this stage, in case a time bound direction is issued to the respondent to decide the same by passing appropriate speaking order.

Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the respondent-department raises no objection in deciding the legal notice dated 03.09.2020 (Annexure P-17) in a time bound manner by passing an appropriate speaking order.

Without going into the merits of the case or the claim being made by the petitioner in the legal notice dated 03.09.2020 (Annexure P-17), respondent is directed to decide the legal notice dated 03.09.2020 (Annexure P-17) by passing a speaking order within a period of eight weeks from the receipt of copy of this order. In case, after the decision of the claim of the petitioner, it is found that the petitioner is entitled for the monetary benefits, the same should also be paid to the petitioner within four days thereafter.

Present writ petition stands disposed of in above terms.

April 05, 2022

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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking? *Yes/No*
Whether reportable? *Yes/No*