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

CWP-25682-2022

Date of Decision: 11.11.2022

RAJINDER SNGH AND OTHERS

.... Petitioners

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

.... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present:- Mr. Vinod Chaudhri, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

JAISHREE THAKUR.J (Oral)

This is a petition that has been filed under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India for issuance of an appropriate writ, order or direction especially in the nature of mandamus for directing the respondents to fix the pay scale of the petitioners by stepping up their pay scale at par with their juniors and remove anomaly thereof as well.

Counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioners would contend that in this regard the petitioners have already served a legal notice dated 23.04.2022, Annexure P-2, upon the respondents, but till date, no decision has been taken thereon. He would submit that at this stage, the petitioners would be satisfied in case their legal notice is decided in a time bound manner, in accordance with law.

Notice of motion.

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On the asking of the Court, Ms. Akshita Chauhan, DAG, Punjab, who is present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of respondents.

Let sufficient number of copies of the complete paper book be supplied to her during the course of day.

Without commenting on merits of the case and keeping in view the limited prayer made by counsel for the petitioners, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondents to decide legal notice dated 23.04.2022 (Annexure P-2) of the petitioners within a period of six months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order, in accordance with law and convey the decision to the petitioners. In case of failure to do so, the officer responsible for the lapse would be liable to costs of Rs.20,000/- from his personal pocket, to be deposited with the Punjab and Haryana High Court Advocates Welfare Fund.

(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE

11.11.2022

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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether Reportable: Yes/No