

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

CWP-12823-1995 (O&M)

Date of decision: 31.01.2023

Raj Kumari Gupta

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL

Present:- Mr. Harinder Sharma, Advocate for the petitioner

Mr. R.K. Kapoor, Addl. AG, Punjab

ANIL KSHETARPAL, J (Oral)

On 23.01.2023, after hearing learned counsel representing the petitioner, the following order was passed by this Court:-

“The learned counsel representing the petitioner contends that initially the petitioner was appointed as a classical and vernacular teacher and subsequently adjusted on the post of Mistress by the Government on the same pay scale. He submits that the period of service rendered by the petitioner as a classical and vernacular teacher is required to be counted for the purpose of granting proficiency step up on completion of 8 years and 18 months of qualified service.

The learned counsel representing the State of Punjab prays for some time to examine the matter before assisting the Court.

List on 31.01.2023.”

There is an apparent error in the aforementioned order dated 23.01.2023 and it is directed in the last line of the first paragraph of the order that it should be read as *8 years and 18 years of qualified service* instead of *8 years and 18 months of qualified service*, as mentioned in the order above.

Learned State counsel, on instructions from Sh.Roop Singh, Junior Assistant, Education Department (Secondary) Faridkot, admits that in the identical cases, the period of service rendered by a classical and vernacular teacher, who has been subsequently adjusted on the post of a Mistress/ Teacher, has been treated for the purpose of grant of proficiency step up on completion of 8 years and 18 years of qualified service.

Keeping in view the fair stand taken by the learned counsel representing the State, the present writ petition is allowed. The State of Punjab is directed to grant all the consequential reliefs to the petitioner.

All the pending miscellaneous applications, if any, are also disposed of.

31.01.2023

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No

(ANIL KSHETARPAL)
JUDGE