

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

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**CWP- 2876 of 2023 (O&M)
Date of decision: 13.02.2023**

Rahul Sharma and another

..Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL

Present: Mr. Mukesh Mehra, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Rohit Ahuja, DAG, Punjab.

ANIL KSHETARPAL, J(Oral)

1. Two petitioners pray for the issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus to direct the respondents to employ them in view of the announcement made by the Punjab Government to provide employment on the compassionate ground to the dependents/family members of civilians who were killed or those who became 100% disabled due to the terrorism/riots.

2. The petitioners claim that on 11.11.2021, the Hon'ble chief Minister, Punjab has announced in Vidhan Sabha Session regarding the decision of the government to provide employment on the compassionate ground to the family members of the victims of said riots. Though, the petitioners have not disclosed in the writ petition, however, on a court question, the learned counsel representing the petitioners admit that the petitioners lost their family members in the year 1989 during the riots.

3. After a long passage of nearly 34 years, such concession cannot be claimed as a matter of right. The object of such policy made by the Government is to immediately support the family on account of the adverse

circumstances that entail after the death of the breadwinner. However, it would not be appropriate to extend the aforesaid concession till perpetuity or eternity. Hence, this court does not find it appropriate to exercise its extraordinary writ jurisdiction in the circumstances of the present case.

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

February 13, 2023
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(ANIL KSHETARPAL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

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Yes/No
Yes/No