

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

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**1. CM No.20329 of 2023 in/and
CWP No.23474 of 2021
Date of Decision : 6.12.2023**

Karam Vir Jain and others

..... *Petitioners*

versus

State of Haryana and others

..... *Respondents*

2. CWP No.5934 of 2023

2023:PHHC:156003

Raj Pal Arya and others

..... *Petitioners*

versus

State of Haryana and others

..... *Respondents*

3. CWP No.8692 of 2023

2023:PHHC:156006

Suman Sorot

..... *Petitioner*

versus

State of Haryana and others

..... *Respondents*

4. CWP No.9843 of 2023

2023:PHHC:156007

Harish Kumar Gupta

..... *Petitioner*

versus

State of Haryana and others

..... *Respondents*

5. CWP No.14754 of 2023

2023:PHHC:156010

Ved Parkash Sharma

..... *Petitioner*

versus

State of Haryana and others

..... *Respondents*

6. CWP No.15429 of 2023

2023:PHHC:156011

Gurdev Singh

..... *Petitioner*

versus

State of Haryana and others

..... *Respondents*

7. CWP No.17069 of 2023

2023:PHHC:156012

Vijay Kumar Lamba

..... Petitioner

versus

State of Haryana and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA

Present: Mr. Sandeep Panwar, Advocate, for the petitioner

Mr. Suneel Ranga, DAG, Haryana

TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA J. (ORAL):

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Application is allowed. Annexures P-6 to P-9 are taken on record.

Main Cases

These petitions have been filed, *inter alia*, seeking a writ of *mandamus* directing the respondents to grant interest at the rate of eighteen per cent per annum from due date to the date of realisation, on the arrears of pay and pension.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners contends that the respondents, vide letter dated 25.8.2023, have decided that interest on arrears will be paid only to those incumbents who are in receipt of selection grade of Rs.4100-5300 as on 31.12.1995, and fall within twenty per cent of sanctioned posts of AE/AEE/SDE as per final seniority list. Since all the petitioners fall within twenty per cent of the sanctioned posts, they are entitled to interest at the rate of eight per cent per annum w.e.f. 1.1.1996, in terms of this order dated 25.8.2023, Annexure P-6, till

the date of payment. Therefore, the petitioners have no objection to all the petitions being disposed of in terms thereof, by directing payment of interest within a specified period.

3. In view of the statement made by learned State counsel, the petitions are disposed of directing the respondents to pay due interest to the petitioners in terms of letter, dated 25.8.2023, within a period of two months from the date of receiving a certified copy of this order.

4. Photocopy of this order be placed on the connected case files.

(TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA)
JUDGE

6.12.2023

Ashwani

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether reportable: Yes/No