

CWP No.16244 of 2023

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

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DECIDED ON: 31.07.2023

Harbhajan Singh Grewal

.....Petitioner

VERSUS

Punjab Agricultural University,
Ferozepur Road, Ludhiana

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJEEV PRAKASH SHARMA

Present: Mr.Gurcharan Dass, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Vishnav Gandhi, DAG, Punjab.

SANJEEV PRAKASH SHARMA, J (ORAL)

1. The petitioner has retired on attaining superannuation on 31.03.1998. He has already been granted all the benefits of selection grade but now he is claiming that he should be granted senior scale of Rs.3000-5000 w.e.f 01.01.1986 on completion of 8 years service after regular appointment instead of 01.04.1988 and selection grade of Rs.3700-5700 w.e.f 02.04.1987 instead of 01.04.1996.

2. No explanation has been provided as to why he was sleeping over the matter for a long period after retirement. Merely by giving a legal notice on the basis of some information received by someone else under RTI, the limitation would not be extended. In normal course, the petition should be filed within a reasonable period to say three years provided for bringing suits. In some cases, even after the said period, it

may be entertained by the Court, but there has to be some restrictions in entertaining petition regarding claiming service benefits which the petitioner did not claim while he was in service.

3. The petition suffers from gross latches and delay and hence, dismissed.

31.07.2023

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Whether speaking/reasoned

Whether reportable

(SANJEEV PRAKASH SHARMA)

JUDGE

Yes/No

Yes/No