

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

CWP-24639-2019

Date of decision : 15.02.2023

Shivdev Singh and another

....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PANKAJ JAIN

Present : Mr. Rohit Mittal, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Rajesh Mehta, Addl. A.G., Punjab.

PANKAJ JAIN, J. (ORAL)

The present matter relates to recoveries being effected on withdrawal of Executive Clerical Cadre Ranks which as per the respondent-State were granted in the teeth of Rules.

2. Counsel appearing for the parties are *ad idem* that the Officers' Committee under the orders of this Court in **CWP No.566 of 2010** titled as **Ranjit Singh and others vs. State of Punjab and others** decided on **4th of March, 2010** is still functional and is looking into the issue of irregular/illegal grant of ranks.

3. I have heard Counsel for the parties and have gone through records of the case.

4. In view of the aforesaid fact, the copy of present writ petition is ordered to be placed before the Officers' Committee for consideration of the

grievance raised by the petitioners. The Committee shall grant opportunity of personal hearing to the petitioners and shall adjudicate the grievance raised by the petitioners by passing a speaking order within a period of six months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order, in accordance with law.

5. The decision taken by the Officers' Committee be communicated to the petitioners herein who would be at liberty to challenge the same in case they feel that their grievance still survives.

6. Needless to say any recovery being effected from the petitioners owing to withdrawal of the rank, shall be kept in abeyance till the claim of the petitioners is adjudicated by the Committee and four weeks thereafter.

7. Writ petition stands disposed off accordingly.

February 15, 2023
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(PANKAJ JAIN)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No