

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CWP-24551 of 2022 (O&M)

Date of decision: 12.01.2023

Kulwant Singh

..Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL

Present: Mr. Bikramjit S. Patwalia, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Charanpreet Singh, AAG, Punjab

ANIL KSHETARPAL, J(Oral)

1. In deference to the order dated 11.01.2023, Sh. Rajiv Gupta,
Director, Public Instructions (Colleges), Punjab, is present in Court.

On 11.01.2023, the following order was passed:-

“The petitioner prays for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus to revise the seniority list of Clerks and Junior Assistants on the basis of the recommendation of the Committee in its report dated 27.03.2022. The petitioner claims that the seniority list issued on 21.02.2013 was found to be incorrectly prepared. However, the competent authority ordered promotion on a large scale on 27.03.2022, though the recommendation of the Committee dated 27.03.2022 were already in existence.

Mr. Charanpreet Singh, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab, submits that the report of the Committee dated 27.03.2022 is still under the consideration of the Director, Public Instructions (Colleges).

On the request of the Court, the learned State counsel has failed to justify the delay of nearly 10 months.

On 21.10.2022 the office of the Advocate General, Punjab was requested to have complete instructions in the matter, however, there is no development.

Keeping in view the aforesaid facts, the Director, Public Instructions (Colleges) is requested to remain present in person in the court on the next date of hearing to explain the reasons for sitting over the file.

List, in the urgent list, on 12.01.2023.”

2. Sh. Charanpreet Singh, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab, has stated that the final decision on the report dated 27.03.2022 shall be taken within a week, from today.

3. In view of the aforesaid, no further order is required to be passed.

4. However, the respondents are requested to take prompt decisions on all such matters which affect the rights of the employees.

5. In future, if any unreasonable delay comes to the notice, then, the Court shall be compelled to take a serious view.

- 6. Disposed of accordingly.
- 7. All the pending miscellaneous applications, if any, are also disposed of.

January 12, 2023
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(ANIL KSHETARPAL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

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Yes/No
Yes/No