

Ram Lal and Ors. vs. State of Punjab and Ors.

Present: Mr. Ranjivan Singh, Advocate for the applicant-petitioners.

Mr. Saurav Verma, Addl.AG, Punjab.

Learned counsel for the applicants-petitioners contends that order dated 18.09.2023 needs to be recalled since the respondents have been declining the prayer in other similarly situated claims. He, however, fairly concedes that the documents appended along with the application were not part of the petition and no formal order declining the claim of the petitioners has been passed by the competent Authority. He, thus, submits that in the connected petitions, Department of Education declined the relief on the ground that the dues claimed being a policy matter, decision in this regard is to be taken by the Department of Finance and not by the Department of Education. He contends that the applicants would be content, in case order dated 18.09.2023 is modified to the extent that a direction to treat the present writ petition as representation and pass a speaking order is issued to respondent No.2-Principal Secretary, Department of Finance, Government of Punjab.

Learned counsel for the respondents-State has no objection to the same.

Accordingly, present review application is disposed of with the modification in order dated 18.09.2023 to the effect that the writ petition may be treated as representation by respondent No.2-Principal Secretary, Department of Finance, Government of Punjab and an appropriate order be passed, in terms of order dated 18.09.2023 passed by this Court.

(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

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