

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

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**CWP No.294 of 2024
Date of Decision : 9.1.2024**

*Devender Kumar**..... Petitioner**versus**State of Haryana and others**..... Respondents*

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA

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

TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA J. (ORAL):

This petition has been filed seeking a writ of *mandamus* directing the respondents to step-up the pay of the petitioner at par to his juniors and release all the consequential benefits accrued in his favour.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that grievance raised herein is pending for appropriate decision before the respondents. At this stage, the petitioner will be satisfied in case the respondents are directed to decide pending legal notice, dated 16.8.2023 (Annexure P-9), issued by the petitioner in a specified period.

3. Notice of motion.

4. Ms. Tanushree Gupta, DAG, Haryana, appearing on advance notice, submits that the pending legal notice shall be decided by the respondents expeditiously.

5. In view thereof, without going into the merits of the case, the petition is disposed of with a direction to the second respondent/Director, Elementary/Primary Education, Haryana, to consider and decide the pending legal notice dated 16.8.2023 issued by the petitioner, by passing a

speaking order thereupon in accordance with law, within a period of three months from the date of receiving a certified copy of this order.

6. In case the order is not passed within the stipulated period, the officer concerned shall pay costs of Rs.25,000/- to the petitioner.

(TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA)
JUDGE

9.1.2024
Ashwani

Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether reportable:	Yes/No