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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CWP-12802-1996

Date of Decision:13.02.2024

KARANJIT SINGH

..... Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAGMOHAN BANSAL

Present : Mrs. Manveen Kahlon, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Anu Chatrath, AAG, Punjab.

JAGMOHAN BANSAL, J. (Oral)

1. On 19.01.2024, the following order was passed:

*“Learned counsel for the petitioner seeks time to get instructions and verify present status of the matter.
Adjourned to 13.02.2024.
To be shown in the urgent list.”*
2. The petitioner through instant petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India is seeking promotion on the ground of parity.
3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that she is not in contact with the petitioner, thus, she cannot make statement with respect to his present status.
4. The father of the petitioner was working with Punjab Police as Inspector and in 1989, he died in a terrorist attack. At that point of time, petitioner was working with respondent as Head Constable. The petitioner claims that many persons have been directly appointed as Assistant Sub-Inspector or Sub-Inspector on the basis of murder of their

family members by terrorist. The petitioner has been denied benefit on the ground that he was already posted with Punjab Police as Head Constable. It amounts to discrimination because similarly situated persons have been appointed as ASI, SI or even Inspector.

5. In the absence of present status of the petitioner, the matter cannot be adjudicated because matter relates to appointment before 1995 and during the intervening period, the petitioners might be promoted or might have retired. The petition stands disposed of with liberty to petitioner to move an appropriate application, if cause survives.

(JAGMOHAN BANSAL)

JUDGE

13.02.2024

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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
<i>Whether Reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>