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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

229 (02 cases)

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Date of Decision :06.09.2024

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Welfare Association

...Petitioner

Versus

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CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: Mr. Vikas Singh, Advocate for the petitioner
in CWP-3051-2023.

Mr. Hardeep Singh, Advocate for the petitioner
in CWP-9786-2023

Mr. H.S. Baath, Advocate for respondent-University.

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Harsimran Singh Sethi, J. (Oral)

In the present petitions, grievance being raised by the
petitioner(s) is that without there being any approval from the Chancellor,



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who is a competent authority to decide as to whether the benefit of LTC is to be given to the retired employees or not, only on the basis of the syndicate decision dated 26.09.2023, the benefit of LTC has been stopped, which action is not only arbitrary and illegal but is also contrary to the policy decision of this Court in **CWP-2479-2016 titled as Sham Singh and others vs. Punjabi University and another, decided on 26.02.2019,** which has already attained finality.

Upon notice of motion, the respondents have appeared and submits that the syndicate decision dated 26.09.2023 qua stopping of benefit of LTC to the retired employees will not be implemented till the same is approved by the Chancellor.

Learned counsel for the respondent-University submits that claim of the petitioner(s) for the release of the benefit of LTC will be considered on the presumption that the petitioner(s) are entitled for the release of the LTC as per the University statute.

Learned counsel for the petitioner(s) submits that once, the factum that the petitioners(s) are entitled to claim the benefit of LTC is not disputed, the respondents be directed to release the benefit of LTC, which have not been released to the petitioners keeping in view the orders of the syndicate, which decision has now been kept in abeyance till the approval of the Chancellor, the arrears be released to the petitioners in a time bound manner so that the petitioner(s) do not suffer any prejudice.

Learned counsel for the respondent-University submits that claim of the retirees including the arrears qua the benefit of LTC will be considered by the University and for whatever benefits they are found



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entitled for on account of benefit of LTC will be released to them within a period of four months from the date of receipt of copy of this order.

Learned counsel for the petitioner(s) submits that keeping in view the statement made by learned counsel for the respondent-University, present petitions may kindly be disposed of having been not pressed any further.

Ordered accordingly.

Civil miscellaneous application pending, if any, is also disposed of.

A photocopy of this order be placed on the file of connected case.

September 06, 2024
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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

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