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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

1) CWP-503-2000
Date of Decision:29.07.2024

ZERO DEVI Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB Respondent

2) CWP-930-2000 (O&M)

JANGIR SINGHPetitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ORSRespondents

3) CWP-1218-2000 (O&M)

SHIV LALPetitioner

Versus

STATE OF PB. AND ORSRespondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAGMOHAN BANSAL

Present : None for the petitioner(s).

Mr. Aman Dhir, DAG, Punjab.

JAGMOHAN BANSAL, J. (Oral)

1. By this common order CWP-503-2000, CWP-930-2000 and CWP-1218-2000 are disposed of since issues involved in the captioned petitions and prayer sought are common. With the consent of parties and for the sake of brevity, facts are borrowed from CWP-503-2000.

2. From the perusal of record, it comes out that petitioner was appointed on 01.12.1965 as part time sweeper. She continued to work from 1965 to 1992 and on 01.04.1992, she was made full time employee.



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She was regularized on 01.03.1994 and retired on 30.06.1999. She claims that period of service from December’ 1965 to February’ 1994 should be counted for service benefits. She relies upon Rule 3.17 of Punjab Civil Services Rule, 1994.

3. On being confronted with judgment passed by Division Bench of this Court in *LPA-1892-2019* titled as ‘*STATE OF HARYANA AND OTHERS Versus JAI BHAGWAN*’, learned State counsel expressed his inability to controvert the applicability of aforesaid judgment to the present case.

4. In the wake of judgment dated 26.07.2024 passed by this Court in *Jai Bhagwan* (supra), the present petitions deserve to be allowed and accordingly allowed.

5. It is made clear that respondent shall determine retiral benefits within three months from today. Any amount accruing to petitioners would not carry interest, if payment is made within 6 months from the date of determination of dues. If respondent fails to pay the determined amount within 6 months, it will carry interest @ 9% from the date of determination. In case of death of any petitioner, the benefit would be released to LRs, if they come forward alongwith documents.

6. Pending misc. application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed of.

(JAGMOHAN BANSAL)
JUDGE

29.07.2024
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
<i>Whether Reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>