

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CWP No.3644 of 1998 (O & M)
Date of Decision : 7.3.2024

Balbir Singh and others

..... Petitioners

versus

State of Haryana and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA

Present: None for the petitioner
Ms. Tanushree Gupta, DAG, Haryana

TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA J. (ORAL):

The petition has been filed, *inter alia*, seeking a writ of *mandamus* directing the respondents to count petitioner's *ad hoc* service towards seniority and other consequential benefits.

2. Learned State counsel contends that the issue stands settled by the Supreme Court in *State of Haryana v. Haryana Veterinary and AHTS Association*, 2000 (8) SCC 4, and *Malook Singh and others v. State of Punjab and others*, (2021) SCC OnLine SC 876, wherein it has been held that benefit of *ad hoc* service prior to regularisation cannot be counted for the purpose of seniority.

3. In view of the settled legal position, the prayer cannot be granted.

4. Dismissed.

5. Pending miscellaneous application(s), if any, stands disposed of accordingly.

(TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA)
JUDGE

7.3.2024
Ashwani

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