

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CWP-4955-2024 (O&M)
Date of decision: 01.03.2024

GTB National College and Anr.

....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and Others

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAMIT KUMAR

Present: Mr. Sameer Sachdeva, Advocate
for the petitioners.

NAMIT KUMAR J. (Oral)

1. The present writ petition has been filed by the petitioners – College, seeking directions to the respondents – State to release the due grant-in-aid arrears qua the House Rent Allowance (HRA) at admissible rate revised from time to time for onward disbursement to the teaching/non-teaching and retired/retiring teaching staff.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners – College(s) are a private affiliated aided college(s) and under the 95% Salary Deficit Grant-in-Aid Scheme, it has complied with the directions but the State has not reimbursed its dues. It is also stated that many times the officials of the petitioners – College(s) have requested the authorities to release the amount.

Learned counsel for the petitioners further submits that the petitioners – College(s) will be satisfied if their grievance is looked into by the respondents within a reasonable time.

3. Notice of motion.

4. Mr. Teevar Sharma, AAG, Punjab, who is present in the Court accepts notice on behalf of the respondents and raised no objection to the innocuous prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioners.
5. Accordingly, a direction is issued to respondent No.3 – Director Public Instructions (Colleges), Punjab, to look into the grievance of the petitioners – College(s) as submitted in the representations dated 29.09.2023 (Annexure P-15) and 31.01.2024 (Annexure P-16) and take a decision thereon. The authorized person of the petitioners shall present himself before respondent No.3, alongwith necessary documents on 18.03.2024 and the case shall be processed within a period of 04 weeks thereafter and necessary payment, if held entitled, be made to the petitioners, as per Rules.
6. With the aforesaid directions, the present writ petition stands disposed of.

(NAMIT KUMAR)
JUDGE

01.03.2024

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