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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

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Date of Decision :17.09.2024

Jagdev Singh and others

..Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present:- Mr. Sumeet Mahajan, Senior Advocate with
Ms. Rabani Attri & Ms. Shruti Singla, Advocates
for the petitioners.

Mr. T.P.S. Chawla, Senior DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Ashwani Chopra, Senior Advocate with
Mr. Damanjit Singh Sangar, Advocate for
respondents No.8, 11,14,56,98 & 100.

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Harsimran Singh Sethi, J. (Oral)

In the present petition, challenge is to the seniority between the petitioners and private the respondents.

It has already come on record that the petitioners and almost all private respondents have already retired from service.

It may be noticed that challenge to the seniority will only survive in case, any of the private respondents have been promoted further by implementing the impugned seniority.

Nothing has come on record to prove that the private respondents have been promoted on the basis of the impugned seniority

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before they retired from service. In the absence of any such fact brought to the notice of this Court especially, when the petitioners and all private respondents have already retired from service, deciding the *inter se* seniority is only academic.

Keeping in view the above, as 20 years have already elapsed since filing of the present petition and the petitioners as well as private respondents have already retired from service, no further orders are required to be passed by this Court and the present petition is accordingly disposed of.

Ordered accordingly.

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

September 17, 2024
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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

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