

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CWP-5898-2024 (O&M)
Date of decision: 13.03.2024

Dr. Sunita Arora and Another

....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and Others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMAN CHAUDHARY

Present : Mr. Sameer Sachdeva, Advocate for the petitioners

AMAN CHAUDHARY. J.

1. The present Civil Writ Petition has been filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ or direction against the action/inaction of the respondents, whereby the respondents in complete deviation of settled judicial pronouncements and UGS Regulations have withheld and virtually declined to count/treat the served rendered by the petitioners.

2. Learned counsel would contend that the petitioners were appointed in the year 1999 through proper channel and their services were regularised in 2016, after the college was taken over by the Government, however, the said period has not been taken into consideration for pay fixation and other benefits. In this regard, a legal notice dated 18.12.2023, Annexure P-12, has been served upon respondents, which has yet not evoked any response. He thus, at this stage, on instructions, submits that the petitioners are sanguine of it being considered in a positive manner, in case, a direction is given to the respondents to decide the same in a time bound manner by granting them an opportunity of hearing.

3. Notice of motion.

4. At the asking of the Court, Mr. Swapan Shorey, DAG Punjab accepts

notice on behalf of the respondent-State and has no objection to the limited prayer made.

5. In view of the aforesaid and without commenting upon the merits of the case, this petition is hereby disposed of with a direction to respondents to consider and decide the legal notice dated 18.12.2023, Annexure P-12, taking note of the pleas raised within a period of 6 months and if found entitled, necessary benefits be granted to the petitioners forthwith. However, in the eventuality of the relief being denied, a speaking order be passed, after associating them therewith.

(AMAN CHAUDHARY)
JUDGE

13.03.2024
M.Kamra

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes / No

Whether reportable : Yes / No