

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CWP-9112-2024 (O&M)
Date of decision: 24.04.2024

Harwinder Singh and Others
.....Petitioners
Versus
State of Punjab and Another
...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMAN CHAUDHARY

Present : Mr. Viranjeet Singh Mahal and Ms. Suverna Mutneja, Advocates
for the petitioners

AMAN CHAUDHARY. J. (ORAL)

1. The present petition has been filed for directing the respondents to regularise the services of the petitioners who are working as daily wage/work charge employee with respondents on daily wage in pursuance to the policy dated 16.05.2023.
2. Learned counsel would contend that the petitioners have been working on Daily Wage/work charge basis on different posts in the respondent-Department since 2012 and have to be regularised in terms of the policy dated 16.05.2023, Annexure P-5 as also their case is otherwise covered by the judgment passed by this Court in **Amrish Sharma and Others vs. State of Punjab and Others** in CWP-19238-2013, decided on 26.02.2024 by relying on the judgment passed by Hon'ble the Supreme Court in **State of Punjab vs. Jagjit Singh**, (2017) 1 SCC 148, as regards grant of minimum pay scale + dearness allowance + grade pay is also concerned. In this regard, a representation dated 20.03.2024, Annexure P-6, has been submitted by them, 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. Satnam Preet Singh, DAG Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State and has no objection to the limited prayer made.
- 5. In view of the above and without commenting on the merits of the case, this petition is hereby disposed of with a direction to the respondents to consider and decide the representation dated 20.03.2024 in light of the afore-referred judgments, within a period of 6 months, which this Court has no reason to believe the authorities would not address in a just, fair and reasonable manner. Upon doing so, after notice and hearing offered to them and if found entitled, grant the benefit forthwith. Needless to say, if the orders are adverse to their interest, the same shall contain reasons and the petitioners shall be free to seek legal redress thereupon.

(AMAN CHAUDHARY)
JUDGE

24.04.2024
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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes / No
Whether reportable	:	Yes / No