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AT CHANDIGARH

CWP-11889-2024
DECIDED ON:20.05.2024

VIRPAL SINGH AND OTHERS

.....PETITIONERS

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

.....RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMAN CHAUDHARY.

Present: Mr. S.P. Soi, Advocate for the petitioners.

AMAN CHAUDHARY , J (ORAL)

1. The prayer made in the present petition is for directing the respondents to regularize the services of the petitioners alongwith consequential benefits who falls under the policy of the government of Punjab dated 16.05.2023 (Annexure P-2).

2. Learned counsel submits that petitioners are working on daily wages/work charged basis in the Punjab Forest Department for more than 10 years. However, their services have not been regularized, despite the policy dated 16.05.2023 (Annexure P-2) being in their favour as also the judgment of this Court dated 26.02.2024 (Annexure P-3). In this regard, a representation dated 01.05.2024, Annexure P-4 has been submitted, 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. Arun Gupta, DAG, Punjab



accepts notice on behalf of the respondents and has no objection to the limited prayer made.

5. In view of the above and without commenting upon the merits of the case, this petition is hereby disposed of with a direction to the respondents to decide the representation dated 01.05.2024, Annexure P-4, within a period of six 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.

20.05.2024
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(AMAN CHAUDHARY)
JUDGE

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