

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

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CWP-12713-2015(O&M)
Date of Decision:19.04.2024

Avtar Singh and others

...Petitioner

Versus

I.K. Gujral, Punjab Technical University and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMAN CHAUDHARY

Present: Mr. R. K. Malik, Sr. Advocate, with
Mr. Aman Mittal, Advocate, for the petitioners.

Ms. Indira, Advocate for respondent No.1.

Mr. M. S. Sachdev, Advocate for respondent No.2.

AMAN CHAUDHARY, J. (Oral)

1. The present present petition has been filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ in the nature of certiorari for quashing the action of the respondents to replace the petitioners by new similarly situated employees and further directions be issued that they be allowed to continue till the posts are being filled up on regular basis and be granted minimum pay scales meant for the posts from the dates of their initial appointments and all arrears be released with market rate of interest.

2. Learned Senior counsel submits that the petition survives qua petitioner Nos.4 to 9 and only regarding their claim for payment of salary for the period they worked from 01.06.2016 to 17.08.2017 and minimum pay scale to the post alongwith dearness allowance. He, on instructions, submits that petitioners shall be satisfied if a time bound direction is given to the respondents to consider and decide the aforesaid claims.

3. Learned State counsel has no objection to the limited prayer made.

4. In view of the aforesaid and without commenting upon the merits of the case, this petition is hereby disposed of with a direction to the respondents to decide the claims of the petitioners 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.

(AMAN CHAUDHARY)
JUDGE

April 19, 2024
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Whether speaking : Yes/No
Whether reportable : Yes/No