



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

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CWP-10932-2017 (O&M)
Date of decision: 21.10.2024

Jagjit Singh and Others

....Petitioners

Versus

State of Haryana and Others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMAN CHAUDHARY

Present : Mr. Vikas Gupta, Advocate for the petitioners

Mr. Tapan Kumar, DAG Haryana

Mr. N.K. Suneja, Advocate for respondent Nos.2 and 4

Mr. Vikas Chatrath, Advocate for respondent Nos.3 and 5

AMAN CHAUDHARY, J. (ORAL)

1. Prayer made in the present petition is for directing the respondents to consider the claim of the petitioners for absorption as employees of Punjab State Transmission Corporation Ltd. (TRANSCO) and grant necessary service benefits including the seniority to them.

2. Learned counsel submits that the petitioners appointed between 1986-1991, were permanent employees of Punjab State Electricity Board, and promoted as Sub-Station Attendants in the year 2002 to 2008, as mentioned in para 4 of the petition. In 2010, the POWERCOM and TRANSCO came into existence in place of PSEB. The petitioners have been working in role of POWERCOM, however, were made to work in TRANSCO. The persons, who were otherwise junior to the petitioners and working under TRANSCO, were promoted as J.E. without considering the seniority. Their claim is either to be absorbed and promoted in

TRANSCO or granted deputation allowance.

3. The petition was filed in May, 2017, however, no reply has been filed by respondent Nos.2 and 4 i.e. Punjab State Power Corporation Ltd. and Deputy Chief Engineer HR & Admin, PSPCL, which is necessary in this case.

4 Learned counsel on instructions from the petitioners submits that they would be satisfied if aforesaid claim be decided in a time bound manner after granting an opportunity of hearing and in this regard they had already filed a representation dated 16.01.2017, Annexure P-2.

5. Learned counsel for the respondents have no objection to the limited prayer made.

6. 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 claim of the petitioners along with representation dated 16.01.2017 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

21.10.2024
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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes / No
Whether reportable	:	Yes / No