

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

2024:PHHC:011680
CWP-5657-2015 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 29.01.2024

Madan Lal and another

...Petitioners

Vs.

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJEEV PRAKASH SHARMA

Present Mr. Harinder Sharma, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. D.K. Single, Addl. AG, Punjab.

SANJEEV PRAKASH SHARMA, J.(Oral)

1. The petitioner has preferred this writ petition alleging anomaly in the pay having occurred on account of revision of pay scale of Superintendent Grade-I. It is stated that Superintendent Grade-I is a lower post in hierarchy to the post of Assistant Registrar, Establishment Officer, Budget Officer and also to the post of Registrar in the office of respondent No.3. However, vide order dated 15.12.2011, pay of Superintendent Grade-I was revised with grade pay of Rs.5400/-. It is stated that since the pay of the Registrar is also in the grade pay of Rs.10300-34800+5400 GP, the same creates an anomaly.

2. This Court finds that Annexure P/1 wrongly mentions the revised scale of Superintendent Grade-I as Rs.15600-39100, whereas the same is Rs.10300-34800 with enhanced grade pay of 5400/-. Thus, it is only the enhancement of grade pay of Rs.5400/- from Rs.5000/-, which has been made effective vide letter dated 15.12.2011. The channel of promotion to the

post of Registrar is from amongst Establishment Officer, Assistant Registrar (Examination), Budget Officer or Superintendent in the service. Upon promotion from the aforesaid four different posts, the incumbent who is promoted to the post of Registrar would be given one additional increment. The pay scale being same, no other benefit would be available to a promotee Registrar.

3. So far as the petitioners are concerned, they have already retired from the post of Registrar and Establishment Officer, hence, their pay/allowances are in no manner effected by granting a higher pay to Superintendent Grade-I. In fact there was existing an anomaly between the Establishment Officer, Assistant Registrar and Budget Officer on one side and the Superintendent on the other side. Since all the three posts were getting Rs.5400/- grade pay while Superintendent was getting grade of Rs.5000/-, which has been corrected by the government vide its order letter dated 15.12.2011.

4. In view of the above, no interference is, therefore, warranted. The writ petition is apparently on the basis of misconception and accordingly dismissed.

5. All pending misc. application(s) also stand disposed of.

(SANJEEV PRAKASH SHARMA)
JUDGE

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1. Whether speaking/reasoned?

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Yes/No
2. Whether reportable?

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Yes/No