



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

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CWP-20706-2024 (O&M)

Date of Decision : 27.08.2024

Vijay Kumar Soni and others

.. Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.. Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: Mr. Varun Baanth, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Charanpreet Singh, AAG Punjab.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI J. (ORAL)

1. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners have raised the grievance that benefit of the revised pay scale has not been given to the petitioners, which is arbitrary and illegal and though the petitioners have raised the said grievance vide representation dated 23.04.2024, copy of which has been appended with the petition as Annexure P-11, the respondents have only come out with the plea that the claim of the petitioners is still under consideration.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners are the senior citizens and are in their late 70s and the respondents are not deciding their claim, which is totally arbitrary and illegal.



3. Notice of motion.

4. Mr. Charanpreet Singh, AAG Punjab who is present in the Court, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents.

5. Learned counsel for the respondents submits that while passing order in *CWP-29782 of 2022 titled as Satya Parkash Khanna and others vs. State of Punjab and others, decided on 11.07.2024*, State has already undertaken to decide the issue of the release of the arrears to the retirees, who were employees of the aided institutions, and six months time period has been granted and within the said period, even the claim of the petitioners for the grant of arrears will be decided by passing an appropriate speaking order.

6. Learned counsel for the respondents further submits that even with regard to the claim of the petitioners for the grant of DA as being claimed will be decided and in case, the petitioners are found entitled for any amount, the same will also be released to the petitioners otherwise due reasons will be mentioned in the speaking order for not accepting the claim of the petitioners for their information and necessary action.

7. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that keeping in view the statement of learned State counsel, the present writ petition may kindly be disposed of having been not pressed any further, at this stage.

8. Ordered accordingly.

9. It may be noticed that the petitioners are senior citizens. In case the undertaking so recorded hereinbefore is not complied with, serious view will be taken including initiation of suo moto contempt proceedings against

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the respondents concerned.

10. Pending application, if any, also stands disposed off.

27.08.2024
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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

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