

CWP-20635 of 2024

2024:PHHC:108395



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

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Date of decision: 27.08.2024

Satinder Pal Singh and others

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and another

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAMIT KUMAR

Present: - Mr. Lajwant Singh Virk, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

Mr. Rajesh Sehgal, Addl. A.G., Punjab.

NAMIT KUMAR, J. (ORAL)

1. Petitioner has filed the present writ petition claiming the following reliefs: -

“Petition under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India praying for issuance of appropriate writ, orders or directions especially a writ in the nature of Mandamus directing the respondent department to consider the merit of the petitioners by including the relevant and requisite marks for their experience as per the criteria for recruitment to the post of Conductors and Drivers mentioned in the advertisement dated 31.07.2014 (Annexure P-1), in the final result (Annexure P-2) with regard to the service so rendered by the petitioners and thereby marks of the petitioner be also included in the final selection list (Annexure P-3) in the interest of justice.

AND



Further issuance of an appropriate writ, order or direction directing the respondents to allow the petitioners to continue in service as they are serving in the department through outsourcing till the merit of the petitioners is re-determined for their recruitment on contract basis in pursuance to the advertisement dated 31.07.2014 (Annexure P-1) on the basis of their experience.

AND

Further prayer for issuance of an appropriate writ, in the nature of Mandamus directing the respondents to decide the legal notices of the petitioners (for instance Annexure P-5 Dt. 22.09.2023) alongwith the legal notices submitted by other petitioners, in the interest of justice.

AND/OR

For issuance of any other writ, orders or directions that this Hon'ble Court may deem fit and proper in the facts and circumstances of the case."

2. In the opinion of this Court, cause of action had accrued to the petitioners in 2013/2014 and at this stage, the writ petition cannot be entertained on account of delay and laches.

3. At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioners wishes to withdraw this petition with liberty to approach the departmental authorities.

4. Dismissed as withdrawn.

(NAMIT KUMAR)
JUDGE

27.08.2024
R.S.

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether Reportable : Yes/No