



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CWP-21705 of 2024

Date of decision: 02.09.2024

Sh. Umrao Singh and others

.....Petitioners

Versus

Punjab State Power Corporation Limited and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAMIT KUMAR

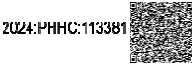
Present: - Mr. Dinesh Kumar, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

NAMIT KUMAR, J. (ORAL)

1. Present petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for issuance of writ in the nature of *mandamus* directing the respondents to cover the petitioners under the Old Pension Scheme and convert their accounts from NPS to GPF in view of the law laid down by a Division Bench of this Court in ***Harbans Lal v. State of Punjab, 2012(3) SCT 362*** as upheld by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in ***Special Leave Petition (CC) 17901/2011 – State of Punjab and others v. Harbans Lal decided on 30.07.2012.***

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that petitioners have served legal notice(s) dated 05.02.2024 (Annexures P-11 and P-12) and submits that at this stage, petitioners would be satisfied, if the said legal notice(s) are considered and decided by passing a speaking order in a time-bound frame.

3. Notice of motion.



4. Ms. Harpriya Khaneka, Advocate, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents and has no objection to the innocuous prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioners.
5. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and have gone through the record of the case.
6. Without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case or the claim being made by the petitioners in the present petition, respondent No.1 is directed to consider and decide the claim made by the petitioners in legal notice(s) dated 05.02.2024 (Annexures P-11 and P-12) in accordance with law, by passing a speaking order within a period of six months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.
7. The petition stands disposed of.

02.09.2024
R.S.

(NAMIT KUMAR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether Reportable : Yes/No