



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

(125)

CWP No. 21406 of 2024
Date of Decision : 30.08.2024

Krishan Gopal and others

...Petitioners

Versus

Union of India and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: Mr. Keshav Gupta, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Satnam Preet Singh, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab.

Harsimran Singh Sethi J. (Oral)

In the present petition, the grievance of the petitioners is that by the impugned order dated 01.08.2024 (Annexure P-30), the services of the petitioners as Teachers of the visually impaired are being terminated on expiry of 30 days notice, whereas the Coordinator is not the competent authority to terminate the services of the petitioners without there being any approval from the Government and further that there is no one else to teach the blind students and the termination of the services of the petitioner will amount to depriving the blind students their right to education.

Notice of motion.

On the asking of the Court, Mr. Satnam Preet Singh, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab, who is present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State.

Learned counsel for the respondents submits that keeping in view the instructions which have been received from Mr. Amarjeet Bhullar, Deputy Director, Social Security & Women Child Development, Punjab, the



Coordinator has passed the impugned order dated 01.08.2024 (Annexure P-30) without the approval of the Government and the said impugned order will not be given affect to.

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that keeping in view the statement of learned State counsel that the impugned order of termination will not be given affect to by the Government, no further grievance of the petitioners survives in the present petition and the same may kindly be disposed of having been not pressed any further.

Ordered accordingly.

At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners have also not been paid their salary for the last ten months.

Learned counsel for the respondents submits that he can seek instructions.

By disposing of the present petition, it is directed that the claim of the petitioners for the release of their salary will be considered and in case, the same is admissible and is found that salary of the petitioners for any period is yet to be released, the same will be released within a period of six weeks from the receipt of copy of this order.

It may be noticed that in case there was no impediment in the release of the salary, the petitioners will also be entitled for interest @ 6% per annum on the said arrears of salary which will be paid to the petitioners from the date amount became due till the same is passed.

August 30, 2024

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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)

JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes

Whether reportable : No