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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

(126)

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Date of Decision : 29.10.2024

Rajeev Kumar Gupta and others

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: Mr. Yajur Sharma, Advocate for the petitioners.

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

Mr. Uday Agnihotri, Advocate for the respondent-University.

Harsimran Singh Sethi J. (Oral)

1. In the present petition, the grievance of the petitioners is that keeping in view the Notification dated 29.10.2021 (Annexure P-2) as well as the Notification dated 10.05.2023 (Annexure P-4), the petitioners are entitled for the grant of pensionary benefits on the revised pay scale and the pension of the petitioners is also to be enhanced keeping in view the age of the pensioners, which benefit is not being given to the petitioners.

2. The further prayer of the petitioners is that the retirement-cum-death gratuity at the enhanced ceiling of ₹20 lacs is also not being paid to the petitioners though, the said Notification has already been adopted by the respondent-University for all intents and purposes and the benefit has been extended to the similarly situated employees.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners have already raised the said grievance in the legal notice dated 20.09.2024 (Annexure P-5) but the same is still pending consideration with the

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respondents and the petitioner will be satisfied, at this stage, in case a direction is issued to the respondents to decide the same by passing an appropriate speaking order in a time bound manner.

4. Notice of motion.

5. 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 and Mr. Uday Agnihotri, Advocate appears on behalf of the respondent-University. Learned counsel for the respondents submit that in case, the case of the petitioners is covered under the Instructions being relied by them, an appropriate relief will be granted to the petitioners within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of copy of this order along with consequential benefits, otherwise due reasons will be mentioned in the speaking order, which will be conveyed to the petitioners.

6. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that keeping in view the statement of learned counsel for the respondent-University, the present petition may kindly be disposed of having been not pressed any further.

7. Ordered accordingly.

8. As the petitioners are senior citizens, in case the undertaking given on behalf of the respondent-University is not complied with, same will amount to Contempt of Court for which suitable action will be taken against the violators.

October 29, 2024
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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes

Whether reportable : No