



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CWP-4101-2025 (O&M)

Date of decision: 14.02.2025

Balbir Singh

...Petitioner

VERSUS

State of Haryana and another

...Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VINOD S. BHARDWAJ

Present :- Mr. Ravinder Malik (Ravi), Advocate for the petitioner.

VINOD S. BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

Prayer in the instant petition is for directing the respondents to regularize the services of the petitioner on the post of Member Bhajan Party, manned by him, in light of policy decision dated 01.10.2003 of the State of Haryana and in view/terms of the judgment passed by this Court in LPA-688-2021 titled as 'State of Haryana and others Vs. Balwinder Singh and others' decided on 02.12.2022 as well the judgment dated 13.03.2024 passed in CWP-2158-2020 titled as 'Ashish Sharma and others Vs. State of Haryana and others' followed by this Court in CWP-12418-2019 titled as 'Satvir @ Satbir and others Vs. State of Haryana and others' decided on 03.05.2024, alongwith all consequential benefits.

Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner *inter alia* contends that pursuant to an offer of appointment dated 29.01.1999, the petitioner had joined the Bhajan Party as a member. He contends that the respondent-State of Haryana had notified a regularization policy dated



01.10.2003 as per which a person who had completed three years of service as on 30.09.2003 was eligible for being regularized. It is submitted that notwithstanding the said conditions, an order of regularization was not passed for the reason that the controversy was pending adjudication before the Hon'ble Supreme Court. He submits that the matter was eventually decided by the Hon'ble Supreme Court whereupon certain similarly situated employees approached this Court vide CWP-12418-2019, which was disposed of vide order dated 03.05.2024 to consider the claim(s) of the petitioners therein in terms of the order passed in CWP-2158-2020 titled as 'Ashish Sharma and others Vs. State of Haryana and others' that has already been upheld by the Hon'ble Supreme Court. The said writ petition having being disposed of, the matter was considered by the respondent-Department in terms of the order dated 30.11.2003 by which the Director General, Information, Public Relation & Languages Department, Haryana has regularized the services of the similarly placed persons who were appointed as members of the Bhajan Party and had joined on or after the petitioner had already been regularized. He submits that the claim of the petitioner is identical to the claim of Satvir @ Satbir; Narinder Kumar @ Naresh Kumar; Raju; Sadhu Ram; Lakhminder Singh; and Balwan Singh, who were regularized vide order dated 30.10.2024.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner would be satisfied in case, the present petition is treated as a representation and a reasoned and speaking order is passed by the respondents thereupon in a time bound manner.



Notice of motion.

Ms. Tanisha Peshawaria, DAG Haryana, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents-State and submits that she has no objection to the aforesaid prayer being granted.

The present petition is accordingly **disposed of** with a direction to respondent-State to consider the case of the petitioner by treating the present writ petition as a representation and the same shall be decided expeditiously and preferably within a period of 03 months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order, after granting an effective opportunity of hearing to the respective parties, in accordance with law.

(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

14.02.2025
Mangal Singh

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