

2025:PHHC:060265



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

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CWP-13937-2015 (O & M)
Date of decision: 07.05.2025

Manjit Singh

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and Others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMAN CHAUDHARY

Present : Mr. S.K.Arora, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Charanpreet Singh, AAG, Punjab.

AMAN CHAUDHARY, J. (ORAL)

1. Learned counsel for the petitioner gives up the prayer regarding quashing of Clause 7 of Circular/letter dated 17.04.2000, Annexure P-2, however, prays for grant of benefit of placement in higher pay scale of Rs.10025-15100 and Rs.12000-16350/- w.e.f. 01.09.1998 and 27.06.1999 on completion of 4 and 9 years of regular service as Agriculture Development Officer, instead of 01.01.2003.

2. Learned State counsel while drawing the attention of this Court to para 17 of reply filed by the Chief Agriculture Officer, Sri Muktsar Sahib, dated 29.09.2015, states that the petitioner had not passed the qualifying test for promotion and, therefore, was not eligible for the said pay scale after completion of 4 and 9 years of service and the exemption therefrom was granted by the Government on 12.04.2002 with

prospective effect, thus, even though, he attained the age of 52 years on 1.9.1998, however, still in wake of the above, being not retrospectively applicable, was not entitled, to which there was no rebuttal by filing any counter or even during the course of arguments.

3. In view of the above, the present petition being bereft of merit, is hereby dismissed.

07.05.2025

parveen kumar

(AMAN CHAUDHARY)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes / No

Whether reportable : Yes / No