



**208 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

Date of Decision: 22.09.2025

1. CWP-9580-2017

Hans Raj And Another

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and Others

...Respondents

2. CWP-16011-2016

Sajjan Singh and Others

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and Others

...Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAGMOHAN BANSAL

Present:- Mr. Rajeev Anand, Advocate and
Mr. Aryan Singh, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Aman Dhir, DAG, Punjab.

JAGMOHAN BANSAL, J. (ORAL)

1. As common issues are involved in the captioned petitions, with the consent of both sides, the same are hereby disposed of by this common order. For the sake of brevity and convenience, facts are borrowed from **CWP-9580-2017**.

2. The dispute relates to grant of increments for the service rendered with Defence Forces during second national emergency i.e. from 03.12.1971 to 25.02.1977. The petitioners are ex-servicemen and they joined Punjab Police after rendering services with Defence Forces. Their service period with Defence Forces includes second national emergency.

3. Learned State counsel, at the outset, submits that petitioner No.1 has been granted claimed benefit though without arrears. The petitioner No.2 has been denied claimed benefit on the ground that he joined service after three years from the date of his discharge by Defence Forces.

4. Learned counsel representing the petitioner submits that petitioners are entitled to benefit on actual basis and they cannot be denied benefit on the ground that there was gap of more than three years in the date of discharge by Defence Forces and date of joining with Punjab Police. The issue stands settled by a Division Bench of this Court in a bunch of petitions including *CWP No.27842 of 2018* titled as '*Kamikar Singh and Another Versus State of Punjab and Others*'.

5. Faced with this, learned State counsel submits that case of petitioners would also be reconsidered in the light of aforecited judgments as well as judgment dated 14.02.2024 passed by this Court in *CWP No.3357 of 2021* titled as '*Jaswant Singh Versus State of Punjab and Others*'.

6. In the wake of statement of both sides, the petitions stand *disposed of* with a direction to respondents to consider claim of petitioners *qua* increment as well as arrears in the light of aforecited judgments. Let the needful be done within a period of six months from today.

(JAGMOHAN BANSAL)
JUDGE

22.09.2025
Prince Chawla

Whether Speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	Yes/No