



CWP No.5049 of 2024

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

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CWP No.21972 of 2025 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 01.08.2025

Jaswinder Kaur and another

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMAN CHAUDHARY**Present:** Mr. Nitesh Singla, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Charanpreet Singh, AAG, Punjab.

AMAN CHAUDHARY, J.(Oral)

1. The prayer made in the present petition is for directing respondents to grant notional date of joining w.e.f. 08.12.2006 and further to refix the pay/seniority of the petitioners.

2. Learned counsel would submit that the petitioners had been appointed as Punjabi Mistress on regular basis against the sanctioned post w.e.f. 29.06.2008, pursuant to the advertisement No.2/2006, but could not be prior thereto, due to the reasons of Model Code of Conduct implemented in the year 2007. However, general instructions were issued on 18.01.2016 by the Department, Annexure P-4, as per which, the benefits of notional pay fixation would be given to all such Masters/Mistresses whose appointments to various advertisements issued in the year 2006, were delayed. But the same has not been implemented *qua* the petitioners with regard to the said claim. Similarly circumstanced employees have approached this Court by filing CWP-5049-2024, which was disposed of on 04.03.2024 (Annexure P-

6), to decide the legal notice whereafter vide order dated 27.08.2024



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(Annexure P-7), the said petitioners were granted notional pay fixation from date of joining of candidate lower in merit. In this regard, Legal Notice dated 08.05.2025 (Annexure P-5) has been submitted. He thus, on instructions prays that a direction may be given to the respondents to decide the same in a time bound manner.

3. Learned State counsel has no objection to the limited prayer made.

4. In view of the aforesaid and without commenting upon the merits of the case, this petition is hereby disposed of with a direction to the respondents to consider the legal notice dated 08.05.2025, Annexure P-5 and decide the same taking note of the pleas raised, within a period of six months and if found entitled, necessary benefit be granted to them forthwith. However, in the eventuality of the relief being denied, a speaking order be passed, after associating the petitioners therewith.

01.08.2025	(AMAN CHAUDHARY)
Rajeev (rvs)	JUDGE

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