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

CWP-30096-2022

Date of decision: 19.11.2025

Harbans Singh

.... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

.... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAMIT KUMAR

Present: Mr. Vivek Sharma, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Swapan Shorey, DAG, Punjab.

NAMIT KUMAR, J. (ORAL)

1. The instant writ petition has been filed by the petitioner under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India seeking a writ in the nature of certiorari for quashing the order dated 19.12.2022 (Annexure P-7) vide which pay of the petitioner is being reduced w.e.f. 01.01.2011. Petitioner has also sought for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to maintain the pay scale granted to him as per letter dated 15.12.2021 (Annexure P-5).

2. One of the grounds taken in the writ petition for impugning the order dated 19.12.2022 (Annexure P-7), reducing the grade pay of the petitioner from Rs.8600 to Rs.7800, is that the said order had been passed in violation of the principles of natural justice as neither any show cause notice was issued to the petitioner nor an opportunity of personal hearing

was afforded to him. The said fact has been specifically pleaded by the petitioner in the writ petition, however, there is no denial in the written statement filed on behalf of the respondents. Even during the course of hearing also, learned State counsel could not justify the said action.

3. In this view of the matter, the present petition is partly allowed. The impugned order dated 19.12.2022 (Annexure P-7) is set aside, however, liberty is granted to the respondents to pass fresh orders after following due procedure of law.

(NAMIT KUMAR)
JUDGE

November 19, 2025
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Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether reportable:	Yes/No