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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

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Date of decision: 06.11.2025

RAJ RANI

....PETITIONER

V/s

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

...RESPONDENTS

Coram : Hon'ble Mr. Justice N.S.Shekhawat**Present:** Mr. T.S. Chauhan, Advocate
for the petitioner.

N.S.Shekhawat J. (Oral)

1. The petitioner has filed the present petition by making the following prayers:-

“Civil Writ Petition under Articles 226/227 of Constitution of India with the prayer for the issuance of an appropriate writ, order or direction especially a writ in the nature of Mandamus directing the respondents to consider the petitioner to have been duly promoted vide an order dated 06.01.2023 as mentioned in the Order dated 30.10.2023 (Annexure P.3) and allow her to continue to do the job of Anganwadi worker with all the consequential benefits of pay, arrears of pay, seniority and further promotions etc., in the interest of Justice.

With the further prayer to issue a writ of Certiorari quashing the entire action of the respondents, whereby a junior (respondent No.6) to the petitioner has been promoted on 01.08.2025 against the post of Anganwadi worker, which earlier was held by the petitioner after her due promotion and has been snatched from her arbitrarily, illegally and unfairly without following even the minimum requirement of principles of natural justice which is contrary to the equality clauses enshrined in the Articles 14 & 16 of the Constitution of India.

With the further prayer for the issuance of a writ of Mandamus directing the official respondents to consider the inclusion of the post of Anganwadi Workers and Anganwadi



Helpers in the Statutory Rules known as the Punjab Social Security and Development of Women and Children (Group 'C') Non-Ministerial Service Rules, 2001 with suitable pay scales in view of their qualifications and public duties being performed by them in order to regulate/ govern their service conditions, to avoid their exploitation at the hands of the bureaucracy and Officers at District and Block levels, in the interest of Justice.

With the further prayer for the issuance of any other writ, order or direction as this Hon'ble Court may deem fit and proper in the facts and circumstances of the present case.

With the further prayer to stay the operation of promotion of respondent No.6 to the post of Anganwadi Worker during the pendency of this writ petition, in the interest of Justice.”

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner has already moved a representation dated 05.09.2025 (Annexure P-5) to the official respondents and no decision has been conveyed to her by the respondents so far and she shall be satisfied, in case, appropriate directions are issued to respondent No.3 to decide the representation dated 05.09.2025 (Annexure P-5).

3. Notice of motion.

4. On the asking of the Court, Mr. Surya Kumar, AAG, Punjab, who is present in the Court, accepts notice on behalf of the official respondents and has raised no serious objection to the limited prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioner, at this stage.

5. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the record carefully.

6. At this stage, this Court deems it appropriate to direct the respondent No. 3 to decide the representation dated 05.09.2025 (Annexure P-5) submitted by the petitioner within a period of three months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

7. It is expected that respondent No.3 shall pass a speaking and well reasoned order and in case, it is found that the petitioner is entitled to any consequential benefits, the same may also be allowed to her forthwith along with reasonable rate of interest.
8. Disposed of.

06.11.2025
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(N.S.SHEKHAWAT)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:
Whether reportable:

Yes/No
Yes/No