



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

235	CWP No.2108 of 2024 (O&M) Date of Decision: 06.04.2026
EX. NK. RASHPAL SINGH	Petitioner
Versus	
UNION OF INDIA AND OTHERS	Respondents
236	CWP No.14653 of 2024 (O&M)
UNION OF INDIA AND OTHERS	Petitioners
Versus	
SUB WAKIL SINGH AND ANOTHER	Respondents
237-1	CWP No.14711 of 2024 (O&M)
UNION OF INDIA AND OTHERS	Petitioners
Versus	
EX. HAV KIRPAL SINGH AND ANOTHER	Respondents
237-2	CWP No.23233 of 2024 (O&M)
UNION OF INDIA	Petitioner
Versus	
EX NK BHAGWAN SINGH CHAUHAN AND ANOTHER	Respondents
237-3	CWP No.4089 of 2025 (O&M)
UNION OF INDIA AND OTHERS	Petitioners
Versus	
EX. NK AMRIK SINGH	Respondent



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UNION OF INDIA AND OTHERS

CWP No.35331 of 2025 (O&M)

.....Petitioners

Versus

Ex.HAV DHIAN CHAND AND ANR

.....Respondents

237-5
UNION OF INDIA AND OTHERS

CWP No.4090 of 2025 (O&M)

.....Petitioners

Versus

BALJIT KAUR AND ANOTHER

.....Respondents

237-6
UNION OF INDIA AND OTHERS

CWP No.23862 of 2025 (O&M)

.....Petitioners

Versus

EX HAV GURCHARAN SINGH AND ANOTHER

.....Respondents

237-7
UNION OF INDIA AND OTHERS

CWP No.18768 of 2025 (O&M)

.....Petitioners

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EX NK SHAJI MG AND ANOTHER

.....Respondents

237-8
UNION OF INDIA AND OTHERS

CWP No.18786 of 2025 (O&M)

.....Petitioners

Versus

HARPAL SINGH AND ANOTHER

.....Respondents

237-9
UNION OF INDIA AND OTHERS

CWP No.1846 of 2026 (O&M)

.....Petitioners

Versus

EX.NAIK MUNSHI RAM AND ANOTHER

.....Respondents



237-10 CWP No.30881 of 2025 (O&M)
UNION OF INDIA AND OTHERSPetitioners

Versus
EX.HON NB SUB BALWANT SINGH AND ORS
.....Respondents

237-11 CWP No.28655 of 2024 (O&M)
UNION OF INDIA AND OTHERSPetitioners

Versus
EX CPL AJAY SHARMA AND ANOTHER
.....Respondents

237-12 CWP No.5457 of 2026 (O&M)
UNION OF INDIA AND OTHERSPetitioners

Versus
EX LANCE NAIK MEHAR SINGH
.....Respondent

237-13 CWP No.31869 of 2024 (O&M)
UNION OF INDIA AND OTHERSPetitioners

Versus
EX NK BHAGWAN PRASAD SHUKLA AND ANOTHER
.....Respondents

237-14 CWP No.6981 of 2026 (O&M)
UNION OF INDIA AND OTHERSPetitioners

Versus
GAJENDER PAL SINGH AND ANOTHER
.....Respondents

237-15 CWP No.14924 of 2024 (O&M)
UNION OF INDIA AND OTHERSPetitioners

Versus
EX.HAV UTTAM SINGH RANA AND ANOTHER
.....Respondents



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KANWALDIP SINGH

CWP No.10250 of 2025 (O&M)

.....Petitioner

Versus

UNION OF INDIA AND OTHERS

.....Respondents

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK MANCHANDA

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HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI, J. (Oral)

1. By this common order, all the aforementioned petitions, the details of which have been given in the heading, are being disposed of as all the petitions involve the same question of law on similar facts.

2. Learned counsel for the parties submit that the issue raised in the present bunch of petitions is covered by the judgment passed by Hon'ble the Supreme Court of India in ***Union of India and others Versus Balakrishnan Mullikote (Ex.HAV 256812 M) Civil Appeal arising out of Diary No.27446 of 2023, decided on 24.03.2026***, and present bunch of petitions be decided in terms of the same so as to decide whether officers will be entitled for benefit of condonation of qualifying service keeping in view the total length of service revealed by the concerned soldier for accepting their claim that they have rendered 15 years of qualifying service as per formula given in para 32 of the aforesaid judgment and such consideration at the hands of the Union of India/Army Authority will be



completed within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of copy of this order.

- 3. Ordered accordingly.
- 4. After ascertaining the length of service, appropriate order qua each of the soldier will be passed by the Army Authority depicting their total length of service and in case as per the judgment in *Balakrishnan Mullikote* (supra), any soldier is found entitled for benefit of condonation of shortfall in qualifying service, he/she will be treated as having valid qualifying service for the grant of pensionary benefits, which benefits will be released within a period of four weeks from the date of finalization of condonation as directed hereinbefore.
- 5. Miscellaneous application pending, if any, is also disposed of.
- 6. A photocopy of this order be placed on the files of the connected cases.

(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

(DEEPAK MANCHANDA)
JUDGE

06.04.2026
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Whether Speaking/Reasoned :	Yes
Whether Reportable :	No