



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

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CWP-10874-2026

Date of decision : 09.04.2026

Subhlakhan Kumari and others

....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAMIT KUMAR

Present: Mr. Nitesh Singla, Advocate for the petitioners.

NAMIT KUMAR J. (Oral)

1. The present petition has been filed by the petitioners under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, seeking issuance of a writ of mandamus, directing the respondents to remove the anomaly between the pay of petitioners/seniors and junior Govt. employees in view of notification dated 22.08.2019 (Annexure P-5) issued by the Government of Punjab, Department of Finance and to grant the petitioners arrears of pay and consequential benefits along with interest @ 12% per annum.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that for redressal of their grievances, the petitioner have also served legal notice dated 12.01.2026 (Annexure P-6) to the respondents which is still pending consideration. He further submits that at this stage, the petitioners would be satisfied, if appropriate directions are issued to the respondents to consider and decide the said legal notice, by passing a speaking order, in a time bound manner.

3. Notice of motion.

4. Mr. Siddharth Sandhu, A.A.G., Punjab, accepts notice on

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behalf of the respondents-State. He has no objection to the innocuous prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioners.

5. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and have gone through the record of the case.

6. Without going into the merits of the case at this stage, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 to consider and decide legal notice dated 12.01.2026 (Annexure P-6) submitted by the petitioners expeditiously, by passing a speaking order after affording an opportunity of hearing to the petitioners, preferably within a period of 03 months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order. Further, the decision taken thereon shall be conveyed to the petitioners.

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(NAMIT KUMAR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether reportable:

Yes/No