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

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Date of decision: 27.04.2026

Dr. Manpreet Kaur and others

....Petitioners

versus

Guru Nanak Dev University and another

....Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAMIT KUMAR

Present: Mr. Puneet Gupta, Advocate, for the petitioners.
Mr. M.K. Dogra, Advocate, for the respondents.

NAMIT KUMAR, J. (ORAL)

1. Instant petition has been filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India seeking a writ of mandamus directing the respondent-University to grant minimum of the pay scale i.e. Rs.57,700/- along with dearness allowances to the petitioners, who are working on contractual basis, in view of the law settled by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in *State of Punjab and others v. Jagjit Singh and others, 2016(4) SCT 641* along with all consequential benefits including interest @ 18% from the date same fell due till the date of realisation; for directing the respondents not to replace the petitioners with another set of contractual employees and to allow the petitioners to continue in service and for directing the respondents to release the salary of the vacation period to the petitioners along with interest @ 18% from the date same fell due till the date of realisation.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that for redressal of their grievances, petitioners have moved representation

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dated 16.05.2025 (Annexure P-3) to the respondents, which is still pending consideration. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners may be given liberty to supplement the said representation by filing a fresh representation and the same may be considered and disposed of by the respondents in a time-bound manner.

3. Notice of motion.

4. Mr. M.K. Dogra, Advocate, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents and 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 expressing any opinion on the merits of the case or the claim being made by the petitioners in the present petition, respondent No.2 is directed to consider and decide the claim made in the representation dated 16.05.2025 (Annexure P-3) and supplementary representation, if any moved by the petitioners within a period of two weeks, in accordance with law, by passing a speaking order within a period of three months from the date of receipt of said representation.

7. The petition stands disposed of.

27.04.2026

R.S.

(NAMIT KUMAR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether Reportable:

Yes/No