



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

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CWP-13143-2026

Date of decision: 30.04.2026

DAV College Trust and Management Society, New Delhi and others

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAMIT KUMAR

Present : Mr. Rajdeep Singh Cheema, 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 a writ of mandamus, directing the respondents to release the amount of Rs.10,38,550/- which is recoverable from the respondents as during the pendency of CWP No.16386 of 2018 pertaining to 13 sanctioned posts on contract under grants in aid scheme, the petitioner-college released the salaries of the staff appointed from its own funds. Further, directions have also been sought for grant of interest @ 12% per annum on the outstanding arrears of grants in aid from the date it fell due to the date of disbursement.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that for redressal of their grievances, the petitioners have also made a representation dated 09.03.2026 (Annexure P-3) 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 representation, by passing a speaking order, in a time bound manner.

3. Notice of motion.

4. On receipt of advance copy, Mr. Siddharth Sandhu, AAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents. 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 decide the representation dated 09.03.2026 (Annexure P-3) submitted by the petitioners expeditiously, by passing a speaking order after affording an opportunity of hearing to them, 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.

30.04.2026

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**(NAMIT KUMAR)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether reportable	:	Yes/No