



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

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CWP-13975-2026

Date of decision : 06.05.2026

Varinder Kumar and others

....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAMIT KUMAR

Present: Mr. R.S. Sohi, Advocate for the petitioners.

NAMIT KUMAR J. (Oral)

1. The present petition has been filed by the petitioners under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India, seeking issuance of a writ of mandamus, directing the respondents to grant the statutory pay scale to the petitioners as per Service Rules i.e. Rs.10300-34800 + Grade Pay of Rs.3200/- for the post of Clerks-cum-Junior Data Entry Operator from entry into service along with arrears @ 12% per annum; to take into account the abovesaid statutory pay scale with future pay revisions and to grant the benefit of instructions dated 05.01.2026 (Annexure P-9) to the petitioners. Further, seeking issuance of a writ of certiorari for quashing the instructions dated 17.07.2020 & 29.10.2020 (Annexures P-3 & P-4).

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that for redressal of their grievances, the petitioners have also served legal notice dated 23.02.2026 (Annexure P-10) 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



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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. Surya Kumar, A.A.G., Punjab accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3. Mr. M.K. Dogra, Advocate has put in appearance and accepts notice on behalf of respondent No.4. They have 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.4 to consider and decide legal notice dated 23.02.2026 (Annexure P-10) 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.

06.05.2026
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(NAMIT KUMAR)
JUDGE

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