



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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Date of Decision : 16.04.2026

(i)

CWP-20041-2011

Gursewak Singh and others

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and another

....Respondents

(ii)

CWP-20601-2011

Joginder Kaur and others

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and another

....Respondents

(iii)

CWP-21621-2011

Bhim Sain Goel and others

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and another

....Respondents

(iv)

CWP-21792-2011

Rajesh Thakral and others

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and another

....Respondents

(v)

CWP-21793-2011

Ajay Pal Singh and others

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and another

....Respondents

(vi)

CWP-21977-2011

Lovish Chawla and others

.....Petitioners

Versus

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....Respondents



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CWP-22301-2011

Hari Om and others

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and another

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAMIT KUMAR

Present : Mr. Sonu Bhatia, Advocate for
Mr. Surmukh Singh, Advocate
for the petitioners in CWP-20041-2011.

Mr. Mayur Karkra, Advocate
for petitioner No.55 in CWP-20601-2011.

Mr. Nirmal Singh, Advocate
for the petitioners in CWP-21621-2011.

Mr. Brijesh Khosla, Advocate
for the petitioners in CWP-21792-2011.

Mr. Arvind Kumar Sharma, Advocate
for the petitioners in CWP-22301-2011.

None for the petitioners in CWPs-21793 & 21977-2011.

Mr. Surya Kumar, A.A.G., Punjab.

NAMIT KUMAR, J. (ORAL)

1. This order shall dispose of above-mentioned writ petitions as the issue involved therein is similar. For the sake of convenience, the facts are being taken from CWP-20041-2011 titled as 'Gursewak Singh and others Vs. State of Punjab and another'.

2. The present petition (CWP-20041-2011) has been filed by the petitioners under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India, seeking issuance of a writ of certiorari, for quashing the impugned order dated 19.02.1979 and 20.09.1979 (Annexures P-4 & P-5, respectively)

to the extent it restricts the benefit of pay according to qualifications to



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the teachers working in the Department of Education, Punjab, who have regularly been appointed as Masters/Mistresses and also have acquired/possessed the qualifications of M.A./M.Sc./M.Ed. etc. prior to 19.02.1979. Further, seeking issuance of a writ of mandamus directing the respondents to refix the pay of the petitioners.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the issue involved in the present writ petitions are covered by the judgment dated 09.04.2025 rendered by a Division Bench of this Court in ***LPA No.1843 of 2019 titled as "State of Punjab and another vs. Karamjeet Kaur"*** and also the subsequent clarifications rendered by the Division Bench vide order dated 05.05.2025 passed in CM-3184-LPA-2025 in LPA No.1843 of 2019, therefore all the matters may be disposed of, accordingly.

4. Learned State counsel submits that the judgment dated 09.04.2025 passed in ***LPA No.1843 of 2019 titled as 'State of Punjab and another v. Karamjeet Kaur'***, has been challenged by the State before the Hon'ble Supreme Court in ***SLP (Civil) Diary No.46242 of 2025***, wherein status quo has been granted, vide order dated 16.09.2025, which reads as under:-

"Delay condoned.

Issue notice.

*Learned counsel appearing for the respondent
accepts notice.*

*In the meantime, there shall be an order of status
quo existing as on today."*



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5. Learned counsel for the parties are ad idem that the present petitions are squarely covered by the decision in *LPA No.1843 of 2019 titled as 'State of Punjab and another v. Karamjeet Kaur', decided on 09.04.2025*. Consequently, the present petitions are disposed of in the same terms, however, subject to the final outcome of the aforesaid SLP.

16.04.2026
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(NAMIT KUMAR)
JUDGE

Whether Speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	Yes/No