



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

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CWP-16183-2026

Date of decision : 22.05.2026

Joti

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAMIT KUMAR

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

NAMIT KUMAR J. (Oral)

1. The present petition has been filed by the petitioner under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India, seeking issuance of a writ of mandamus directing the respondents to promote the petitioner as Lecturer (Physical Education) from the date her juniors were promoted, vide letter dated 03.07.2016 (Annexure P-7), particularly in view of promotion orders dated 28.04.2025 (Annexure P-8), passed by the respondent-department, whereby similarly situated employees/fellow employees have already been promoted as Lecturer (Physical Education) w.e.f. 03.07.2016 and to grant her all consequential benefits, arrears of pay and interest @ 9% per annum.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that for redressal of her grievances, the petitioner has also served legal notice dated 10.02.2026 (Annexure P-10) to the respondents which is still pending consideration. He further submits that at this stage, the petitioner 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.



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3. Notice of motion restricted to respondents No.1 & 2 only at this stage.
4. Mr. Swapan Shorey, D.A.G., Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 & 2. He has no objection to the innocuous prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioner.
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 10.02.2026 (Annexure P-10) submitted by the petitioner expeditiously, by passing a speaking order after affording an opportunity of hearing to the petitioner, preferably within a period of 04 months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order. Further, the decision taken thereon shall be conveyed to the petitioner.

22.05.2026
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(NAMIT KUMAR)
JUDGE

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