



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

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CWP-16843-2026

Date of decision : 26.05.2026

Malkiat Singh

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAMIT KUMAR

Present: Mr. Amrik Singh, 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 from the date when his juniors were promoted as Principal w.e.f. 29.11.2022 (Annexure P-3) with all the consequential benefits including arrears of pay, seniority etc. and also pay the accrued arrears along with interest @ 18% per annum from the date of accrual till actual realization of the same.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that for redressal of his grievances, the petitioner has also served legal notice dated 04.03.2026 (Annexure P-6) 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.

3. Notice of motion restricted to respondents No.1 & 2 only at this stage.

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4. Mr. Surya Kumar, A.A.G., Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 & 2-State. 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.1 to consider and decide legal notice dated 04.03.2026 (Annexure P-6) 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.

26.05.2026
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(NAMIT KUMAR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether reportable:

Yes/No