



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

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CWP-16997-2026

Date of decision : 26.05.2026

Harpreet Singh and others

....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAMIT KUMAR

Present: Mr. Sandeep Kumar, 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 a writ of mandamus directing the respondents to consider the claim of the petitioners for correction of their post's classification as downgraded from Group-B to Group-C, in IHRMS Portal, GIS, ACR, Service Book and in other important platforms/record on the ground that the advertisement was issued for Group-B post and even the entire selection process was carried out/conducted by mentioning the post of Inspector as Group-B post and even in the other departments of the Government of Punjab, the post of Inspector is Group-B post. Further, to grant the petitioners pay scale of Rs.10300-34800 + 4400 GP.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that for redressal of their grievances, the petitioners have also served legal notice dated 20.01.2026 (Annexure P-11) 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. Swapan Shorey, D.A.G., Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the respondents-State. 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 consider and decide legal notice dated 20.01.2026 (Annexure P-11) submitted by the petitioners expeditiously, by passing a speaking order after affording an opportunity of hearing to the petitioners, 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 petitioners.

26.05.2026
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(NAMIT KUMAR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether reportable:

Yes/No