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

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Date of Decision: **27.05.2026**

Suraj Parkash

....Petitioner

VERSUS

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARPREET SINGH BRAR

Present : Ms. Anjali Khosla with Ms. Jagriti Kala, Advocates for the petitioner.

Ms. Pratibha Bali, AAG Punjab.

Mr. Shivang Berry, Advocate for respondents No.2 to 4.

HARPREET SINGH BRAR, J. (Oral)

1. The present writ petition has been filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India praying for issuance of a writ in the nature of *certiorari* for quashing the impugned finance circular dated 13.09.2024 (Annexure P-8) to the limited extent whereby its applicability has been arbitrarily restricted to the period from 01.10.2018 to 31.10.2021, thereby denying the benefit of advance promotional increment to the petitioner by wrongly adjusting the advance promotional increment granted in lieu of third promotion against the second regular promotion of the petitioner instead of third regular promotion. Further praying for issuance of a writ in

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the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to grant one promotional increment to the petitioner on account of his second regular promotion as Additional Assistant Engineer (Sub-Station) w.e.f. 01.02.2017 vide order dated 03.01.2017 (Annexure P-7) without adjusting the advance promotional increment granted to petitioner w.e.f. 22.06.2007 and to consequently re-fix the pay of petitioner along with all consequential benefits including revision of pension, other retiral benefits and payment of arrears along with interest.

2. Learned counsel for the parties are *ad idem* that the issue involved in the present writ petition is squarely covered by the judgment rendered by this Court in ***Roshan Lal vs Punjab State Power Corporation Limited and others***, decided on 30.10.2025 along with a bunch of petitions, lead case being CWP-28852-2017.

3. Accordingly, the present petition is disposed of and the Empowered Committee constituted under the Punjab Litigation Policy, headed by the Chief Secretary, Government of Punjab, is directed to examine the claim raised by the petitioner in the light of the judgment rendered by this Court in ***Roshan Lal's case (supra)***, subject to the following terms:-

i. The Empowered Committee constituted under the Punjab Litigation Policy is directed to treat the present writ petition as a comprehensive representation and consider and adjudicate upon the issue raised herein. In the alternative, the petitioner shall be at liberty to submit a detailed representation

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setting out her claim within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order.

ii. The Committee shall pass a reasoned and speaking order, after granting an opportunity of personal hearing to the petitioner, within a period of four months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order or from the date of receipt of the representation of the petitioner, as the case may be. Furthermore, the decision taken thereof shall be conveyed to the petitioner. Needless to say, if the petitioner is found entitled to the relief sought, the same shall be granted to her forthwith.

4. Pending miscellaneous applications, if any, shall also stand disposed of.

(HARPREET SINGH BRAR)
JUDGE

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Puneet Chawla

Whether speaking/reasoned. : Yes/No
Whether Reportable. : Yes/No