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

**CWP-24928-2025
Date of Decision: 27.08.2025**

Agya Ram and others

..... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSH BUNGER

Present: Mr. Akhil Dadwal, Advocate
for the petitioners.

HARSH BUNGER J. (ORAL)

Petition herein is, *inter alia*, for issuance of a writ in the nature of Mandamus, directing the official respondents to grant the benefits of the 4-9-14 years ACP Scheme along with all consequential benefits, with interest to the petitioners. It is further prayed that the petitioners' pay be re-fixed from the back date when they became entitled under the ACP Scheme, and consequently, their pension be re-fixed, with the arrears on account of re-fixation of pay and other consequential benefits arising therefrom, in terms of Letter No.7/70/09-P.P.1/748 dated 03.02.2010 (Annexure P-1).

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that as regards the relief claimed in the present writ petition, the petitioners have moved a representation dated 16.05.2025 (Annexure P-4) before the respondents, but

the same has not been adverted to by the concerned authorities, till date. He submits that petitioners would be satisfied, if time bound directions are issued to respondent No.2 (Chief Engineer, Irrigation Department, Punjab)/competent Authority to decide aforesaid representation dated 16.05.2025 (Annexure P-4).

3. At this stage, Mr. Nirmaljit Singh Diwana, Senior Deputy Advocate General, Punjab appears on behalf of respondent-State, in pursuance of the advance copy of paper book having already been supplied to him, and submits that respondent No.2 (Chief Engineer, Irrigation Department, Punjab)/competent Authority shall take decision either way, on the pending representation dated 16.05.2025 (Annexure P-4) submitted by the petitioners, within a period of three months from today.

4. Keeping in view the above and without commenting on the merits of the case, the present writ petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 (Chief Engineer, Irrigation Department, Punjab)/competent Authority, to consider and decide the representation dated 16.05.2025 (Annexure P-4) of the petitioners by way of passing a speaking order; after affording due opportunity of hearing to all concerned parties, within a period of three months from today.

5. All the pending application(s), if any, shall also stand closed.

27.08.2025
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(HARSH BUNGER)
JUDGE

1. Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No
2. Whether reportable : Yes/No