



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

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COCP No.1730 of 2025 (O&M)

Date of decision: 06.05.2025

Anita and others

...Petitioners

V/s

Sh. Pankaj Aggarwal and others

...Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKRAM AGGARWAL

Present: Mr. Parveen Moudgil, Advocate, for the petitioners.

Mr. P.K. Longia, DAG, Haryana

VIKRAM AGGARWAL, J (ORAL)

On the last date of hearing, the following order was passed:-

“The present petition has been preferred under Sections 11/12 of the Contempt of Courts Act, 1971 for initiating contempt proceedings against the respondents for willful disobedience of the order dated 29.11.2024 passed by a coordinate Bench of this Court in CWP-32171-2024.

The operative part of the said order reads as under:-

“4. Ms. Tanushree Gupta, Deputy Advocate General, Haryana accepts notice on behalf of respondents nos.1 to 3 and submits that the pending legal notice dated 10.10.2024, will be decided by the second respondent-Director, Elementary Education, by passing a speaking order, in accordance with law, within a period of three months.

4. In view of the statement made, learned counsel for the petitioners has no objection to the petition being disposed of in terms thereof.

5. Ordered accordingly.

6. In case the order is not passed within the stipulated period, the officer shall pay costs of Rs.50,000/- to the petitioners.”

Upon notice of motion having been issued, learned counsel representing the State of Haryana has today produced a communication dated 30.04.2025 from the Director General Elementary Education, Haryana, to the Advocate General, Haryana, wherein the order dated 13.03.2025 in respect of petitioners No.1 to 3 (Anita, Satyavati Devi and Anil Kumar) has been attached, as per which, the benefit of stepping up of pay has been granted.

As regards 4th petitioner (Suresh Kumar), learned State counsel prays for a short accommodation.



On request, adjourned to 06.05.2025.”

2. Today, learned counsel representing the State of Haryana submits that even as regards the fourth petitioner, the benefit of stepping up of pay has been granted.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that costs of Rs.50,000/- have not been deposited.

4. Keeping in view the totality of facts and circumstances, no further orders are required to be passed by this Court and the contempt petition is disposed of in view of the relief having been granted to the petitioners. Rule is discharged.

5. However, it would be open for the petitioners to avail all such remedies as admissible in law for recovery of costs, if so advised.

Pending application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed of.

(VIKRAM AGGARWAL)
JUDGE

May 06, 2025

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No