



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

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COCP-4642-2024 (O&M)

Date of Decision: August 28th, 2025

Harjinder Singh and others

.....Petitioners

Vs.

Ajoy Kumar Sinha and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE SUDEEPTI SHARMA

Present: Mr. Prabhjot Singh Mann, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Ravneet Singh Joshi, DAG, Punjab

SUDEEPTI SHARMA J. (Oral)

1. The present contempt petition has been filed for deliberate and intentional disobedience of order dated 29.08.2024 passed by this Court in CWP-21165-2024.

2. The relevant portion of order dated 29.08.2024 passed by this Court in in CWP-21165-2024, is reproduced as under:-

“5. Learned counsel for the respondents submits that in case the representation dated 01.08.2024 (Annexure P-9) has been received in the office of the concerned authorities and the same is still pending consideration with the authorities concerned, the same will be decided by the competent authority within a period of eight weeks from the date of the receipt of certified copy of this order by passing an appropriate speaking order and in case, after the decision any relief is to be extended to the



petitioners, the same will be extended, otherwise due reasons will be mentioned in the speaking order to be passed for not accepting the claim of the petitioners for their information and necessary action.”

3. Learned State counsel submits that in compliance of order dated 29.08.2024, compliance affidavit of Mohammad Tayyab, IAS, Director, Treasuries and Accounts, Department of Finance Secretary to Govt. of Punjab, Finance and Planning Bhawan, Plot No.2-B, Sector 33-A, Chandigarh, dated 04.12.2024 along with Annexure R/1 and R/2, has been filed. He further submits that in compliance of order dated 29.08.2024, a speaking order dated 25.11.2024 has been passed.

4. The relevant portion of compliance affidavit of Mohammad Tayyab, IAS, Director, Treasuries and Accounts, Department of Finance Secretary to Govt. of Punjab, filed on 04.12.2024, is reproduced as under:-

“3. That in compliance of the Hon'ble Court order dated 29.08.2024 in CWP-21165 of 2024, Respondent Department has already passed Speaking Order dated 25.11.2024 (Annexure R/1) in reference to letter no. FD-FP-10HRA/2/2024-3FP11/973354-2024 dated 22.11.2024 by which the petitioners/employees have been allowed HRA considering Samana City as Category 'C' city. The petitioners/employees have been allowed to pay HRA @ 12.5% of Basic Pay w.e.f. 01.01.2012 to 30.06.2021 in respect to letter dated 12.08.2009 of Department of Finance. Also, they have been allowed to pay HRA @ 10% of Basic Pay w.e.f. 01.07.2021 onwards in respect to letter dated 18.10.2021 of Department of Finance. Respective Drawing & disbursing Officers of the offices of the petitioners have been directed to draw and disburse HRA to the petitioners as per above



instructions. A copy of the speaking order was forwarded to the Head Offices of the petitioners for information and further action.

4. That the offices of the petitioners respondent no. 3, Director Public Instructions (S.E.), PSEB, Ajitgarh, Mohali, Punjab and & respondent no. 4, Director Public Instructions (E.E.), PSEB, Ajitgarh, Mohali, Punjab were requested vide letter dated 28.11.2024 (Annexure R/2) to direct the DDOs of concerned offices of the petitioners to draw and disburse the HRA/HR Arrears.

5. That the bills of the HRA/HRA arrears of the petitioners have been cleared which have been received in treasure office till dated 04.12.2024 and no bill, regarding this, is pending in treasure for payment.”

5. A perusal of compliance affidavit dated 04.12.2024, order dated 29.08.2024 passed by this Court in CWP-21165-2024, has already been complied with by passing a speaking order dated 25.11.2024. Learned counsel for the petitioners does not dispute the same.

6. In view of the above, the contempt is purged and rule is discharged.

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

(SUDEEPTI SHARMA)
JUDGE

August 28th, 2025

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Whether speaking/non-speaking : Yes/No
Whether reportable : Yes/No