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

CWP-12386-2026

Date of decision: 23.04.2026

Gagandeep Singh and others

.... Petitioners

Versus

Guru Angad Dev Veterinary and Animal Sciences University, Ludhiana,
and others.

.... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAMIT KUMAR

Present: Mr. Rajesh Arora, Advocate, for the petitioners.

Mr. Kanav Singla, AAG, Punjab.

NAMIT KUMAR, J. (ORAL)

1. The instant petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, seeking a writ in the nature of mandamus, directing the respondent-University to grant the basic pay scale to the petitioners as Junior Engineers as granted to similar regular employees i.e. Rs.35,400/- from the date of joining on contractual/ad-hoc basis on the principle of 'equal pay for equal work'. Further seeking directions to the respondents to regularize the services of the petitioners on the basis of their qualification and experience.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that for redressal of their grievance, the petitioners have also submitted representations dated 16.07.2024, 09.04.2026, 15.04.2026 (Annexures P-6, P-7 and P-8 respectively) to the respondents which are still pending consideration. He

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further submits that at this stage, the petitioners would be satisfied, if appropriate directions are issued to respondent No.2 to consider and decide said representations, by passing a speaking order, in a time bound manner.

3. Notice of motion.

4. Mr. Kanav Singla, AAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents-State and 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 decide representations dated 16.07.2024, 09.04.2026, 15.04.2026 (Annexures P-6, P-7 and P-8 respectively) submitted by the petitioners expeditiously, by passing a speaking order after affording an opportunity of hearing to the petitioners, preferably within a period of 03 months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order. Further, the decision taken thereon shall be conveyed to the petitioners. Needless to say, if the petitioners are found entitled to the relief sought, the same shall be granted to them within a period of 01 month thereafter.

(NAMIT KUMAR)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned:
Whether reportable:

Yes/No
Yes/No