

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

CWP No. 11345 of 2013 (O&M)

Date of decision: 25.05.2015

Vinod Parkash Verma

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana and another

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE JITENDRA CHAUHAN

Present: Mr. Rakesh Gupta, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Saurabh Mohunta, DAG, Haryana.

Jitendra Chauhan, J. (Oral)

By way of the instant writ petition, under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India, the petitioner seeks issuance of directions to the respondents to release the gratuity amount along with interest @ 18% p.a., w.e.f. 01.03.2008 i.e. the date following the retirement of the petitioner.

The learned counsel for the petitioner states that all the retiral benefits have been paid, however, no interest on the delayed payment has been paid so far. He further states that the case of the petitioner is squarely covered by the ratio of law laid down in case

***The Financial Commissioner and Principal Secretary to Govt. of
Haryana, Irrigation Department, Civil Secretariat, Chandigarh Vs.***

Hasan Singh Kanwar, 2010(1) SLR 788.

The learned State counsel does not controvert the assertion raised by learned counsel for the petitioner.

In the circumstances, the present petition is allowed in terms of the ratio of law laid down in case **Hasan Singh Kanwar's** case (supra). The petitioner is held entitled to interest @ 8% p.a., on account of delayed payment of retiral benefits from the date of retirement till its payment. Needful be done within a period of four months after the receipt of a certified copy of this order.

25.05.2015

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(JITENDRA CHAUHAN)
JUDGE