

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

CWP-10498-2015 (O&M)
Date of decision : 25.05.2015

Hazari Lal Singla

...Petitioner

Versus

The Punjab State Warehousing Corporation

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JITENDRA CHAUHAN

Present: Mr. Tushant Deep Garg, Advocate for the petitioner.

JITENDRA CHAUHAN, J. (Oral)

By way of the present petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India, is for issuance of direction to the respondents to grant interest on the delayed payment of retiral benefits released to him.

The learned counsel contends that the petitioner retired on 31.07.2010, on attaining the age of superannuation. The amount of gratuity and leave encashment was withheld on account of the show cause notice and chargesheet for the alleged loss caused to the corporation. After the detailed inquiry, the petitioner was exonerated of the charges on 30.01.2014. Therefore, the learned counsel contends that the petitioner is entitled to interest on the delayed payment. The learned counsel cites *The Financial Commissioner, Haryana Vs.*

Hasan Singh Kanwar, 2010(1) SLR 788 and A.S. Randhawa Vs. State of Punjab, 1997(3) S.C.T. 468.

Keeping in view the prayer made, at this stage, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondents to examine the case of petitioner as to whether the same is covered by the ratio of law laid down in Hasan Singh Kanwar's case (supra) and A.S. Randhawa's case (supra), within a period of four months of the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order and in case, the answer is in affirmative, interest at the rate of 8% per annum, from the date on which the amount became due, till the date of payment, be paid to the petitioner within two months thereafter.

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(JITENDRA CHAUHAN)
JUDGE