

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

CWP No. 14747 of 2015 (O&M)

Date of decision: 23.07.2015

Rajinder Kumar

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE JITENDRA CHAUHAN

Present: Mr. Vipin Mahajan, Advocate for the petitioner.

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 pay interest @ 12% p.a., on the delayed payment of pensionary benefits.

It is asserted that the case of the petitioner is squarely covered by the ratio of law laid down in **Ramesh Kumar and others** Vs. **State of Punjab and another**, rendered in CWP No. 18960 of 2014, vide order dated 29.10.2014 (Annexure P-5) and **Darshana Devi and others** Vs. **Punjab Water Resources Management & Development Corporation Limited and another**, rendered in CM No. 614 of 2015 in CWP No. 20201 of 2014 (Annexure P-7), being from the same corporation.

Keeping in view the prayer made in the petition, without advertng to the merits of the case, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to the competent authority, to pay the interest on account of delayed payment of pensionary benefits i.e. Gratuity and leave encashment @ 8% p.a., from the date of his retirement till the date when the actual payment was made. The necessary benefits be released within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order.

23.07.2015

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(JITENDRA CHAUHAN)
JUDGE