

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

CWP No.15884 of 2015 (O&M)
Date of decision: 04.08.2015

Ashok Kumar Gupta

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE JITENDRA CHAUHAN

Present: Mr. Varinder Shukla, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Jitendra Chauhan, J. (Oral)

The present petition has been filed for issuance of a writ in the nature of Mandamus directing the respondents to pay interest @ 12% p.a. on the delayed payments of arrears of revised pay and arrears of revised pensionary benefits.

Learned counsel for the petitioner joined service in the respondent department on 20.10.1973 and retired on 31.07.2008. The Punjab Govt. revised the pay-scales of its employees vide notification dated 27.05.2009 w.e.f. 01.01.2006. The petitioner furnished his option for revision of his pay on 24.08.2009. The arrears of revised pay scales were paid on 02.07.2014 without any interest on the delayed payment. For the redressal of his grievance, the petitioner had served a legal notice dated 03.06.2015 (Annexure P-6), which has not been decided so far.

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 treat the present petition as a representation by re-examining as to whether there is any delay in making the payment of arrears of revised pay and arrears

of revised pensionary benefits consisting of Pension, GPF and Leave Encashment, within six weeks from the receipt of certified copy of this order and if the answer is in affirmative, then interest @ 8% p.a., on the delayed payment be released to the petitioner within eight weeks thereafter.

August 04, 2015
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(Jitendra Chauhan)
Judge