

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

CWP No.16568 of 2015
Decided on : 12.08.2015

Baljinder Singh

.... Petitioner

vs.

State of Punjab & ors.

.... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE G.S.SANDHAWALIA

Present: Mr. Tajinder Pal Singh Makkar, Advocate
for the petitioner.

G.S.Sandhawalia, J.(Oral)

The prayer made in the present writ petition is for directing the respondents for granting all the benefits available to a Gallantry Award holder like promotion, monetary benefits and all other allowances and concessions as per rules.

The petitioner's case is that while serving as Constable in District Faridkot he had successfully been involved in an encounter with terrorists where 10 extremists were killed and huge recovery of weapon and ammunition had been made. The gallantry award was recognised by notification dated 03.01.1995 (Annexure P-1) whereby the Police Medal was awarded to him by the President. As per communication dated 20.04.1998 (Annexure P-2) from respondent No.2 addressed to the respective Sr. Superintendents' of Police his name was also mentioned in the same at Sr. No.27. He was to be granted promotion from deemed date w.e.f. 01.05.1995 as per the departmental communication dated 07.04.2006 but the said benefits were never granted and his promotion as Head Constable were only made much later in the year 2012.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that he has made representation for the due benefits to respondent No.2 on 01.05.2014 (Annexure P-4) and would be satisfied if the same is decided within a specified time period.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Anshul Gupta, AAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of respondent-State.

Keeping in view the limited relief claimed by the petitioner, it is not necessary to call any reply from the State.

Accordingly, the present writ petition is disposed of with direction that respondent No.2 shall take into consideration the representation dated 01.05.2014 (Annexure P-4) and pass a speaking order, within a period of 2 months from the receipt of a certified copy of this order. Any observation made herein is tentative and prima facie. It is for the said respondent to examine the record and verify whether the petitioner is entitled to the said benefit or not.

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(G.S.Sandhawalia)
Judge