

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

Civil Writ Petition No. 26561 of 2015 (O&M)

Date of decision : December 19, 2015

Dhunda Ram and othersPetitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and othersRespondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE LISA GILL

Present: Ms. Riti Aggarwal, Advocate
for the petitioners.

LISA GILL, J.

Prayer in this writ petition is for release of gratuity to the petitioners as per the provisions of the Payment of Gratuity Act, 1972 as well as arrears of gratuity in terms of decision dated 18.01.2010 in CWP No. 6905 of 2005 (Annexure P-3) wherein relief was granted on the basis of judgment dated 22.09.2008 in CWP No. 15423 of 2008 (Annexure P-2). Special Leave Petition preferred by the Municipal Council impugning decision dated 22.09.2008 stands dismissed (Annexure P-4).

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that legal notice dated 25.06.2015 (Annexure P-5) served by the petitioners upon the respondents has not been decided till date. She prays for direction to the respondents to decide the same.

Keeping in view the limited prayer and the facts and circumstances of the case but without expressing any opinion on the

merits of the controversy, it is considered expedient to dispose of this writ petition with a direction to the competent authority to expeditiously decide legal notice dated 25.06.2015 (Annexure P-5) by passing a speaking order, preferably within a period of four months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

Present writ petition is, accordingly, disposed of.

December 19, 2015
rts

(Lisa Gill)
Judge