

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

**CWP No.24694 of 2016 (O&M)
Date of decision : November 30, 2016**

Mohinder Kaur

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDIP SINGH

Present:- Mr. Pankaj Sharma, Advocate for the petitioner.

1. Whether the Reporters of local newspaper may be allowed to see the judgment ?
2. To be referred to the Reporter or not.
3. Whether the judgment should be reported in the digest ?

KULDIP SINGH J. (ORAL)

Petitioner claims that a charge-sheet was issued to her and an inquiry is pending against her. Her 100% gratuity has been withheld due to pendency of the said charge-sheet.

I am of the view that pending the inquiry, the Government is competent to withhold the gratuity under Civil Services Rules. Therefore, at this stage, there is no ground to quash the order dated 11.05.2016 (Annexure P-2).

However, keeping in view the fact that the petitioner retired from service on 31.03.2016, the respondents are directed to expedite the inquiry and conclude the same within six months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

As such, the present petition is disposed of.

**(KULDIP SINGH)
JUDGE**

November 30, 2016

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Whether speaking / reasoned

Yes

Whether Reportable:

No