

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH.**

COCP No.1113 of 2016

Date of Decision:-06.03.2017

Arjun Singh & Ors.

.....Petitioners.

Versus

Sh. Priyank Bharti.

.....Respondent.

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASWANT SINGH

Present:- Mr. Sunny Singla, Advocate for the Petitioners.

Mr. Anant Kataria, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab.

JASWANT SINGH, J.(ORAL)

45 petitioners retired from the various ranks on attaining the age of superannuation from the Department of Local Government. They were paid gratuity as per the provisions of Punjab Civil Services Rules. The petitioners claim was for payment of Gratuity under the Payment of Gratuity Act as the same was very beneficial to them. Although the admissible benefits under the CSR stood paid, the petitioners filed writ petition before this Court for redressal of their grievances, which concededly has been finally settled by the Hon'ble Supreme Court vide decision rendered in December 2015.

Upon notice respondents have filed a reply asserting that in compliance of the directions passed by this Court on 30.09.2015 passed by learned Single Judge, the arrears of remaining gratuity as calculated under

the Payment of Gratuity Act have since been paid.

In response, learned Counsel for the petitioners prays for grant of interest on the delayed payment of remaining portion of gratuity, which in the opinion of this Court is not admissible in view of the adjudication of the right only in December 2015.

In view of the above, the present contempt petition is hereby dismissed.

(JASWANT SINGH)
JUDGE

March 06, 2017
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<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether Reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>