

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

**C.O.C.P. No.2107 of 2016
Date of Decision: 28.02.2017**

Jodh Ram

..... Petitioner

Versus

Sh. P.K.Das, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary,
School Education, Haryana and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASWANT SINGH

Present: Mr. Subhash Rana, Advocate for
Mr. Prithvi Raj Yadav, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Shubhra Singh, Additional Advocate General, Haryana
for the respondents/contemners.

JASWANT SINGH, J. (Oral)

The petitioner retired from the rank of Head Master, on attaining the age of superannuation of 58 years w.e.f. 31.03.2009. He filed CWP No.15131 of 2012, claiming the benefit of two additional increments on account of being a State Teacher Award bestowed on 20.04.1990 (**Annexure P-3**) and the consequent revision of pension. During the pendency of the said writ petition, the State Government accepted the claim of the petitioner. Accordingly, vide order dated 03.03.2014 (**Annexure P-1**), the writ petition was disposed of with the directions to release the benefits along with interest on delayed payments of the revised pension within a period of one month. Since the needful was not done, hence the present contempt petition.

Upon notice, reply by way of an affidavit dated 28.02.2017 of Sh. P.K.Das, Addl. Chief Secretary, School Education, Haryana has been filed, which is taken on record. Copy of the same has been furnished to learned Counsel for the petitioner.

In the reply, it is submitted that the benefits of revised pension qua all claims have since been released except the award of interest on the revised amount of gratuity, which is not admissible. The interest on the revised gratuity has been denied by passing a speaking order dated 22.02.2017 (**Annexure R-IV**), appended with the affidavit.

In view of the above, this Court finds that there is substantial compliance of the order and qua remaining grievance, if any, the petitioner would have liberty to seek his remedy in accordance with law.

Accordingly, the present contempt petition stands dismissed as infructuous.

February 28, 2017
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(JASWANT SINGH)
JUDGE

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether Reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>