

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

**COCP 2661/2016**

**Date of decision:20.04.2017.**

Sohan Lal

.....Petitioner

v.

Parveen Kumar and another

.....Respondent

**Coram: Hon'ble Mr.Justice Jaswant Singh**

**Present:-** Ms.VK Shukla,Advocate for the petitioner

Mr.Anant Kataria,DAG Punjab for  
Mr.Jaspreet Singh,Advocate for respondent no.2.

**Jaswant Singh,J,(Oral).**

CWP 11164/2016 filed by petitioner was disposed of vide order dated 31.5.2016 by this Court directing respondents to take a decision on the demand notice of the petitioner and also to ensure that the liability to pay the interest element due to the delay in disbursement is also decided in view of the Full Bench judgment of this Court in **A.S.Randhawa v State of Punjab and others**, 1997(3)SCT 468.

Now alleging disobedience of said order instant contempt has been filed.

At the time of hearing today, reply by way of affidavit of Kamal Kishore Yadav,IAS,Director Department of Local Government,Punjab has been filed stating therein that in compliance of the order dated 31.5.2016, a speaking order dated 15.11.2016(R-1/1) has been passed whereby petitioner was not found entitled to any interest. It is further submitted that retiral benefits were released to the petitioner on various dates, as detailed in Annexure R-1/2. The delay in

payment of retiral benefits is attributed to financial constraint for which unconditional and unqualified apology has been tendered. The affidavit is taken on record.

In view of contents of affidavit, instant contempt is dismissed as having become infructuous.

20.04.2017  
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(Jaswant Singh)  
Judge

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| Whether Speaking/reasoned | Yes/No |
| Whether Reportable        | Yes/No |