

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

COCP No.2670 of 2016

Date of decision : 22.12.2017

Dr. Sohan Lal Arora

.....Petitioner

Versus

Ms. Vini Mahajan

...Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE DAYA CHAUDHARY

Present : Mr. Puneet Jindal, Senior Advocate with
Mr. Amaneep Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Akshita Chauhan, AAG, Punjab.

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DAYA CHAUDHARY, J. (Oral)

As per the direction issued by this court on 04.08.2016, liberty was given to respondent to proceed against the petitioner under Rule 2.2 (b) of the Punjab Civil Services Rules, Volume-II, Chapter-II with a further direction to release all the pensionary benefits with interest at the rate of 9% per annum starting three months from the date of retirement of the petitioner.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that claim is under consideration before the Finance Department, whereas learned State counsel, on the basis of reply, submits that all the benefits have been released.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the

representation moved by the petitioner to the respondent-authority is still pending consideration. He further submits that the statutory appeal is still pending before the Appellate Authority since April 2017 and same has also not been decided.

Accordingly, by considering the submissions made by learned counsel for the petitioner, the Appellate Authority is directed to make all efforts to decide the pending appeal preferably on the next date of hearing or thereafter within a period of two months. The respondent-authority is also directed to decide the pending representation of the petitioner within a period of one month from the date of receipt of copy of this order.

However, petitioner is at liberty to avail the appropriate remedy to challenge the order, if aggrieved, passed by the Appellate Authority or by other authority in case any order is passed on the pending representation.

Disposed of accordingly.

22.12.2017

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**(DAYA CHAUDHARY)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes / No

Whether reportable : Yes / No