

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARAYANA AT CHANDIGARH
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CWP No. 10384 of 2017

Date of decision: 16.05.2017

Sarbjit Singh

...PETITIONER

VS.

State of Punjab and others

...RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH

Present: Mr. A.S.Bhatia, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH, J. (ORAL)

Petitioner has approached this Court with a prayer that the claim of the petitioner for release of his General Provident Fund has not been considered and decided by the respondents till date despite he having made various representations to them. Petitioner has even served a legal notice through counsel dated 03.05.2016 (Annexure P-5) but that also has not solicited any response till date.

Counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner, at this stage, would be satisfied if a direction is issued to The Chief Engineer, Irrigation Branch (Canals), Punjab, Chandigarh-respondent No. 2 to consider and decide the legal notice dated 03.05.2016 (Annexure P-5) within some specified time.

In the light of the submissions made by the counsel for the petitioner, without going into the merits of the case or commenting thereon,

the present petition is disposed of with a direction to The Chief Engineer, Irrigation Branch (Canals), Punjab, Chandigarh-respondent No. 2 to consider and decide the legal notice dated 03.05.2016 (Annexure P-5) within a period of three months from the date of service of this order upon the respondents.

In case the claim of the petitioner is accepted, the consequential benefits, if any, be released to the petitioner within a further period of one month. In case the claim of the petitioner is not to be accepted, a well-reasoned speaking order be passed and conveyed to the petitioner forthwith.

May 16, 2017
pj

(AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes

Whether Reportable: No