

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

CWP No. 16956 of 2015 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 23.01.2017

SADHU RAM

... Petitioner

V/s.

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDIP SINGH

Present: Mr. Peeush Gagneja, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Nikhil Chopra, D.A.G., Punjab

Ms. Jarnail Kaur, Advocate,
for respondent No. 4.

KULDIP SINGH, J. (Oral)

The petitioner has preferred this writ petition under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India for issuance of writ of mandamus for directing the respondents to release the service-cum-retirement benefits of the petitioner i.e. gratuity, leave encashment, arrears of DA alongwith interest.

Learned counsel for respondent No. 4 stated that the entire payment towards retiral benefits has been released to the petitioner.

Now, the only claim survives for consideration is for the interest on the delayed payment.

Since, the petitioner retired from service on 30.06.2015 and the payment of retiral benefits was released in June 2016, therefore, the respondents are liable to pay the interest on the delayed payment.

It being so, respondents are directed to pay interest @ 9% per annum on the delayed payment of retiral benefits of the petitioner starting three

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months from the date of retirement of the petitioner till actual payment is made.

Accordingly, the present petition stands disposed of.

January 23, 2017
Suresh Kumar

(KULDIP SINGH)
JUDGE

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