

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

**CWP No. 16629 of 2017
DECIDED ON: JULY 31, 2017**

MANJU GUPTA

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

**MANAGING DIRECTOR, PUNJAB STATE CIVIL SUPPLIES
CORPORATION AND OTHERS**

.....RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASPAL SINGH

Present: Mr. Rajeshwar Singh, Advocate
 for the petitioner.

JASPAL SINGH, J (ORAL)

By virtue of instant petition preferred under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India, petitioner has sought the issuance of writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to grant interest @ 18% per annum on pensionary benefits from 17.08.2011 i.e. the day the petitioner became entitled to the pensionary benefits till its payment i.e. upto 14.02.2017 with further direction to grant the ex-gratia amount @ 10 times of the last gross salary drawn by the husband of the petitioner alongwith interest.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that though the petitioner have served the respondents with a legal notice dated 22.03.2017

(Annexure P-6) but till date no action, has been taken. The petitioner feels satisfied in case a direction is issued to the respondents to consider the claim of the petitioner set out in the legal notice.

Thus, instant petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 to look into the grievances unfolded by the petitioner in the legal notice dated March 22, 2017 (Annexure P-6) and to decide the same in view of full Bench judgment passed by this Court in the case of **A.S. Randhawa vs. State of Punjab; 1997 (3) SCT 468;** as well judgment passed by this Court in case **Charan Dass vs. State of Punjab & others; CWP No. 8772 of 2015,** decided on July 11, 2015, within a period of three months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order. In case authority comes to the conclusion that petitioner is entitled to the claim on account of interest on delayed payment, the same shall be released to the petitioner within next two months.

However, if the petitioner still feels aggrieved she shall be at liberty to approach this Court.

JULY 31, 2017
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(JASPAL SINGH)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned ***Yes/No***

Whether reportable ***Yes/No***