

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

**CWP No. 16670 of 2017
DECIDED ON: JULY 31, 2017**

SHARDA DEVI

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

.....RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASPAL SINGH

Present: Mr. APS Sidhu, Advocate for
 Mr. Surinder Garg, 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 release the gratuity, leave encashment and other retiral benefits to the petitioner alongwith interest @ 18% per annum.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the retiral benefits have not been released to the petitioner by the respondents so far, despite having been served through legal notice dated 06.06.2017 (Annexure P-2).

Instant petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.4 to

look into the grievances unfolded by the petitioner in the legal notice dated June 06, 2017 (Annexure P-2) and to decide the same within a period of three months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order. Respondent No.4 is further directed to consider the grant of interest on delayed payment 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.

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***