

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

**CWP No.16859 of 2017
DECIDED ON: August 01, 2017**

JAGJIT SINGH

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

BANK OF INDIA AND ANOTHER

.....RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASPAL SINGH

Present: Mr. Aman Dhir, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

JASPAL SINGH, J (ORAL)

By virtue of instant petition preferred under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India, the petitioner has sought issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus, directing the respondent-Bank to grant pension to the petitioner w.e.f. 22.03.2013, as per award dated 22.03.2013, at the earliest along with interest @ 18% per annum for the delayed payment till the date of actual realization of the said amount.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that gratuity and provident fund have already been disbursed to the petitioner in pursuance to the order dated 22.03.2013 (Annexure P-4). However, pension has been withheld without any rhyme and reason, which is absolutely against the letter and spirit of the aforesaid order dated 22.03.2013 (Annexure P-4).

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner further contends that a representation dated 02.02.2016 (Annexure P-5) was also made to the Branch Manger, State Bank of India, Dhapali Branch, Bathinda but till date neither any response has been received to the said representation nor any conscious decision has been taken thereon.

4. Accordingly, instant petition is disposed of with the direction to respondent No. 1-Chief Manager, State Bank of India, Bhangu Road, Bathinda, to look into the grievances unfolded by the petitioner in his representation dated 02.02.2016 (Annexure P-5) and take a conscious decision in accordance with law, that too, by passing a speaking order, particularly keeping in view the order dated 22.03.2013 (Annexure P-4) and after hearing the petitioner, within a period of 3 months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order, .

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(JASPAL SINGH)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned *Yes*

Whether reportable *Yes/No*