

CWP No. 20475 of 2017

DECIDED ON: SEPTEMBER 11, 2017

JASWINDER SINGH

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

PEPSU ROAD TRANSPORT CORPORATION & ORS

.....RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASPAL SINGH

Present: Mr. Digvijay Nagpal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

JASPAL SINGH, J (ORAL)

By virtue of instant petition preferred under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India, petitioner has sought for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to pay him interest on the delayed payment of retiral benefits with further direction to decide the legal notice (Annexure P-2) and to release the due amount.

2. At the very outset, learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that though a legal notice dated July 19, 2014 (Annexure P-2) was served upon the respondents but neither any reply has been received nor any conscious action has been taken. He further submits that he feels satisfied in case a direction is issued to respondent No.2 to consider and dispose of the legal notice (Annexure P-2) within a stipulated period.

3. Accordingly, 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 (Annexure P-2) and take a conscious decision in accordance with law within a period of three months from the date of certified copy of this order. In case respondent No.2 comes to the conclusion that petitioner is entitled to the relief(s) claimed by him, to release the same within next 45 days. However, the matter with regard to grant of interest on delayed payment be also considered in view of observations made by Full Bench of this Court in case captioned as **“A.S. Randhawa vs. State of Punjab and others; 1997 (3) SCT 468** and in CWP No. 8772 of 2015 titled as **Charan Dass vs. State of Punjab & others;** decided on July 11, 2017. However, if the petitioner still feels aggrieved by any order of the afore-said authority, he shall be at liberty to approach this Court.

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(JASPAL SINGH)
JUDGE

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>