

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

**CWP No.7433 of 2017 (O&M)
Date of decision : April 07, 2017**

Harbhajan Singh and others **Petitioners**

Versus

State of Punjab and others **Respondents**

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDIP SINGH

Present:- Mr. Sunny Singla, Advocate for the petitioners.

1. Whether the Reporters of local newspaper may be allowed to see the judgment ?
2. To be referred to the Reporter or not.
3. Whether the judgment should be reported in the digest ?

KULDIP SINGH J. (ORAL)

A perusal of Annexure P-1 shows that the petitioners retired from service on different dates between the years 1997 to 2014. As per payment details of gratuity furnished, they were paid gratuity in the year 2016 without any interest. The petitioners claim interest on the delayed payment of gratuity. The petitioners has already served legal notice dated 09.01.2017 (Annexure P-3).

The short prayer at this stage is that the respondents may be directed to decide the legal notice dated 09.01.2017 (Annexure P-3) by passing a speaking order in a time bound manner.

In these circumstances, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 to consider and decide the legal notice dated 09.01.2017 (Annexure P-3) within three months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order by passing a speaking order.

**(KULDIP SINGH)
JUDGE**

April 07, 2017

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Whether speaking / reasoned

Yes

Whether Reportable:

No