

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

COCP No.1662 of 2017 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 28.02.2018

SMT. BALA DEVI

..... Petitioner

Versus

**SHRI PRANAB KISHORE DASS, IAS, ADDL. CHIEF SECRETARY
TO GOVT. OF HARYANA AND OTHERS**

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASWANT SINGH

Present: Mr. Shilak Ram Hooda, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Indresh Goel, Additional Advocate General, Haryana
for the respondent(s)/State.

JASWANT SINGH, J. (ORAL)

Petitioner-Smt. Bala Devi, had filed a writ petition bearing *CWP No.13077 of 2016*, quashing the order/reply dated 17.06.2016 and directing respondent/departmental authorities to release her pensionary and other consequential retiral service benefits.

The aforesaid writ petition was disposed of by this Court vide order dated 08.07.2016 (**Annexure P-1**) with liberty to the petitioner '*to approach the respondent departmental authorities, to stake her claim for release of her retiral pensionary benefits by taking her DOB as 14.01.1955 which even otherwise has been conceded by the respondent authorities; and in case the petitioner prefers a representation in this regard then the*

respondent/competent authority would be obligated to consider the same and take a final decision thereupon by passing a speaking order within a period of two months from the date of submission of the same.'

Since the needful was not done, hence the present contempt petition.

Upon notice, a reply/compliance report by way of affidavit of Shri Rajiv Rattan, Director, Secondary Education, Haryana, Panchkula, on behalf of respondent No.2, has been filed, wherein in para No.5, it is stated that in compliance of the order dated 08.07.2016, a speaking order dated 21.09.2016 (**Annexure R-1**), rejecting the claim of the petitioner, had already been passed by Sh. Zile Singh, respondent No.3, the then District Education Officer, Sonapat.

In view of the above reply, learned State counsel states that the order, in question, has already been complied with, therefore, no further action in this present contempt petition is warranted, as the same has become infructuous.

Dismissed as infructuous.

February 28, 2018

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(JASWANT SINGH)

JUDGE

<i>Whether Speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether Reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>