

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

**C.O.C.P. No.3029 of 2016 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 14.02.2018**

Usha Kumari Hira, Craft Teacher (Retired)

..... Petitioner

Versus

Smt. Navraj Sandhu, IAS, Addl. Chief Secretary/Secretary to Govt. of Haryana,
Development and Panchayat Department and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASWANT SINGH

Present: Mr. R.K.Chaudhary, Advocate for
Mr. K.L.Dhingra, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. D.K.Mittal, Deputy Advocate General, Haryana
for respondent Nos.1 to 4.

Mr. Sandeep Goyal, Advocate for respondent No.5.

JASWANT SINGH, J. (Oral)

This Court, while issuing notice of motion on 30.11.2016, had
passed the following order:-

“ *Petitioner had prayed for release of the DCRG and pension, for which she had submitted a representation to the respondents. When no decision thereon had been taken, petitioner filed CWP No. 23886 of 2015 titled as Usha Kumari Hira vs. State of Haryana and others, which was disposed of by this Court vide order dated 06.11.2015 (Annexure P-1) directing the respondents to consider the claim of the petitioner, as contained in the representation, which was submitted by the petitioner, and pass a speaking order within a period of two months from the date of receipt of certified copy of the order. The certified copy of the order was served upon the respondents on 23.11.2015 (Annexure P-2). A reminder was also sent, copy whereof has been appended as Annexure P-4. The Deputy Commissioner, Faridabad, vide communication dated 31.05.2016 (Annexure P-5), had directed The*

Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Faridabad, to release the gratuity, which amount has been released, however, no decision with regard to the claim of the petitioner for grant of pension has been taken or conveyed till date. He, thus, contends that respondents No. 2 to 5 have rendered themselves liable for initiating the contempt proceedings against them under the Contempt of Courts Act, 1971.

Let notice be issued to respondents No. 2 to 5, for 28.03.2017, to show cause as to why proceedings for contempt be not initiated against them for non-compliance of the order passed by this Court.

Reply/compliance report to the contempt petition be filed within a period of six weeks from the date of receipt of notice with an advance copy to the counsel for the petitioner.

In case the reply is not filed within the time stipulated, the same shall be received by the Registry on payment of ₹ 10,000/- as costs to be deposited in the account of Punjab and Haryana High Court Employees Welfare Association.

Copy of this order be also sent along with the notice to respondents No. 2 to 5 for information and compliance. ”

Upon notice, respective replies on behalf of the respondent(s) have been filed, wherein it is submitted that the claim of the petitioner for grant of pension has been considered and the same has been rejected by passing a speaking order dated 16.03.2016 (**Annexure R-1**).

Learned Counsel for the respondents submit that the present petition has become infructuous as the directions were to decide the matter, which stand complied with.

In view of the above, no further action is warranted.

Accordingly, the present contempt petition is disposed of as infructuous.

February 14, 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>