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

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Date of Decision :March 01, 2018

Dr. Ranjit Singh

..... Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondent(s)

CORAM : HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE JASPAL SINGH

Present : Mr. A.K. Walia, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Sunint Kaur, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. Jagdish Mitter, Advocate
for respondent No.4.

JASPAL SINGH, J.

By virtue of instant writ petition preferred under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, petitioner has sought issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus, directing the respondents to release the pension, retiral benefits i.e gratuity, amount of Leave Encashment, Amount of Group Insurance Scheme and commuted pension alongwith interest @ 12% per annum as well as release other arrears of pay and allowances.

2. During the course of arguments, it has emerged that all the retiral benefits have been released to the petitioner during the pendency of instant petition. However, interest on the delayed payment has not been paid. There is a considerable delay in making the payment of the

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aforesaid benefits, which cannot be attributed to the petitioner. Rather, the delay appears to have occurred on account of omission on the part of the respondents. The only relief now, which the petitioner claims is with regard to interest on delayed payment.

3. Instant petition is disposed of with the direction to respondents to calculate and make the interest @ 9% per annum on the delayed payments, after expiry of three months, from the date of retirement of the petitioner till its actual payment within a period of two months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order.
4. However, if the petitioner still feels aggrieved of the order passed by the concerned authority, he shall be at liberty to have recourse to the other remedies available to him as well as to approach this Court.

March 01, 2018
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(JASPAL SINGH)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned	-	Yes/No
Whether reportable	-	Yes/No/