

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CWP No. 12066 of 2018
Date of Decision : 10.12.2018

Jasbir Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: *HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI*

Present: Mr. Preet Kawal Singh Gill, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Mehardeep Singh, Addl. Advocate General, Punjab.

Harsimran Singh Sethi, J.(Oral)

In the present case, the petitioner is seeking interest on the delayed payments of the retiral benefits.

It has been alleged in the present writ petition that the petitioner retired from service on 30.06.2016. As per the averments made in paragraphs 6, 7, 8 and 9 of the writ petition, payments of the retiral benefits were made starting from January, 2017 onwards till July, 2017 i.e. after a delay of seven months to one year.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that at this stage, the petitioner will be satisfied in case a direction is given to the respondents to decide the representation filed by the petitioner dated 03.08.2017 (Annexure P-6) in which the petitioner had claimed the interest on the delayed payments. Learned counsel for the petitioner further states that the petitioner is entitled for the interest on the delayed payments as held by Full

Bench of this Court in the case of *A.S. Randhawa Vs. State of Punjab*, 1997 (3) SCT 468 as well as by another judgment of this Court in *J.S. Cheema Vs. State of Haryana and others*, 2014(13) RCR(Civil) 355.

Learned counsel for the respondents have no objection for the disposal of the writ petition as prayed by the counsel for the petitioner.

Without going into the merits of the case or expressing any opinion to the entitlement of the petitioner in respect of the claim prayed in the present writ petition or in the representation, the present writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondents to pass an appropriate speaking order on the claim raised by the petitioner in the representation dated 03.08.2017 (Annexure P-6) within a period of three months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

In case after the order, it is found by the respondents that the petitioner is entitled for any monetary benefits, the same should also be released to him within a period of next three months.

The writ petition stands disposed of.

December 10, 2018
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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned? *Yes/No*
Whether reportable? *Yes/No*