

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

Sr. No.126

Civil Writ Petition No.18006 of 2018
DECIDED ON: July 24, 2018

PANNI LAL KATARIA

..PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF HARYANA AND OTHERS

...RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASPAL SINGH

Present: Mr. Mohinder Pal, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

JASPAL SINGH, J. (ORAL)

Through the instant civil writ petition, preferred under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India, petitioner has sought the issuance of a writ in the nature of Mandamus directing the respondents to make the payment of remaining amount of Rs.2,15,082/- (commutation of pension) along with interest @ 18% p.a. on the delayed payments.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that though various representations were made to the respondent No.4 on 07.12.2017 (P-2) & 29.01.2018 (P-4) but till date no final decision has been taken thereof. He further submits that he feels satisfied in case a direction is issued to respondent No.4 to decide the latest representation dated 29.01.2018 (P-4), within some specified period.

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3. Instant petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.4 – The Superintending Engineer, Bhakra Water Services Circle Sirsa, Canal Colony, Sirsa, District Sirsa, Haryana to look into the grievances unfolded by the petitioner in the representation dated 29.01.2018 (P-4) and to take a conscious decision by passing a speaking order, within a period of two months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order. In case, competent authorities comes to the conclusion that petitioner is entitled to the various amounts claimed through representation, same be released to him within a period of next one month. Further, respondent(s) shall be oblized to consider the claim of the petitioner with regard to interest on the delayed payment(s) of retiral benefits in the light of judgment passed by Full Bench of this Court in case *A.S. Randhawa vs. State of Punjab & Ors., 1997 (3) SCT 468* as well as judgment passed by this Court in CWP No.8772 of 2015 captioned as *Charan Dass vs. State of Punjab & Ors.* decided on July 11, 2017 and Instructions No.1/2(152) 01-2 FR II dated 20.02.2002 issued by the Government of Haryana.

4. However, if petitioner still feels aggrieved by any of the orders passed by the aforesaid authority, he shall be at liberty to approach this Court.

July 24, 2018

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**(JASPAL SINGH)
JUDGE**

**Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable**

**Yes
Yes/No**