

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

(231)

CWP-23417-2016

Date of Decision: December 14, 2018

Rajinder Singh

..Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: Mr. S.K. Rattan, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Mehardeep Singh, Addl. A.G., Punjab.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI, J.(ORAL)

In the present case, the petitioner has approached this Court seeking the retiral benefits.

It has been admitted by the counsel for both the parties that the arrears of pension, for which the petitioner was entitled for from 01.05.2013 till 28.02.2018 amounting to Rs.6,85,026/- has been released to the petitioner.

The said fact stands admitted by the counsel for the petitioner as well but he states that as the petitioner was entitled for the pension immediately, he is entitled for the interest in view of the law laid down by this Court in **A.S. Randhawa Vs. State of Punjab, 1997 (3) S.C.T. 468.**

Learned counsel for the petitioner further states that the petitioner be given a liberty to file a representation with the respondents claiming the interest by citing the law as well as the facts of the present case to show that there was no justification with the respondents to withhold the said amount for the period of five years.

The present writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondents that in case, the petitioner files a representation claiming the interest, the same shall be disposed of by passing a speaking order and the respondents shall keep in mind the decision rendered by the full Bench of this court in **A.S. Randhawa's case (supra)**. The respondents shall pass the order on the representation within a period of three months from the receipt of the same.

December 14, 2018
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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether reportable:	Yes/No