

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

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**CWP No.5493 of 2016.  
Date of Decision: 14.11.2018.**

Krishna Tuteja

....Petitioner.

Versus

State of Haryana and others

....Respondents.

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**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SHEKHER DHAWAN**

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**Present:** Mr. P.L. Verma, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Charanjit Singh Bakshi, Additional Advocate General,  
Haryana.

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**Shekher Dhawan, J.**

Present petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India has been filed for issuance of direction to the respondents to make payment on account of interest on the delayed payment of retiral benefits.

The petitioner is claiming retiral benefits alongwith interest, after the death of her husband Joginder Pal, who retired as Assistant from the respondent-department on 31.08.2010. The GP fund was paid on 06.11.2012 i.e. after 2 years and 2 months and Death-cum-Retirement Gratuity was paid on 13.01.2013 i.e. after 2 years and 4 months, but nothing was paid on account of interest on delayed payment. There was no justified ground for delay in paymnet of retiral benefits.

Learned counsel representing the respondents-State contended that certain compliance were not made by the petitioner and that is why

payment on account of GP fund could not be released.

In view of the above, there is no justified ground with the respondents for release of retiral benefits after such a long delay and the petitioner is certainly entitled to receive interest on account of delayed payment of retiral benefits. Accordingly, the present writ petition is disposed of with direction to the respondents to make payment of interest on account of delayed payment of retiral benefits, from the due date till the date of actual payment, at the rate of 9% per annum. The said payment of interest shall be made to the petitioner within a period of three months.

**(SHEKHER DHAWAN)**  
**JUDGE**

**14.11.2018**  
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Whether speaking/ reasoned : Yes/ No

Whether Reportable : Yes/ No