

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

Date of decision: 31.07.2018

CWP No.4504 of 2017

Braham Pal

...Petitioner

Vs.

State of Haryana & others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJIV NARAIN RAINA

Present: Mr. P.C.Yadav, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Ms. Shruti Jain Goyal, DAG, Haryana.

RAJIV NARAIN RAINA, J. (ORAL)

Mr. Yadav states that unpaid salary has been released to the petitioner and he has received a sum of ₹72,000/- approximately on 25.05.2017 for the period from 17.01.2014 to 16.07.2014. The petitioner is satisfied with the amount paid, but is aggrieved that no interest has been paid on admittedly delayed payments with no proper justification.

No doubt, there is delay in payment because illegally withheld money without legal excuse has been released in May, 2017 and, therefore, the petitioner would have a right to claim interest on the delayed payment.

Consequently, the instant petition is allowed. The respondents are directed to calculate and pay interest to the petitioner on delayed payment at the rate of 9% per annum from January, 2014 to May, 2017 within a period of three weeks from the date of receiving of certified copy of this order.

31.07.2018

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**[RAJIV NARAIN RAINA]
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether Reportable:

Yes/No