

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CWP No. 30871 of 2018
Date of Decision : 06.12.2018

Satwant Singh Retd. Principal

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: Mr. Surmukh Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

Harsimran Singh Sethi, J.(Oral)

In the present case, the petitioner has approached this Court seeking release of the gratuity amounting to ₹65,686/-, which according to the petitioner, has been withheld without any valid justification. Further the petitioner is also claiming for the interest on the delayed payments keeping in view the law laid down by this Court in the case of ***J.S. Cheema Vs. State of Haryana and others***, 2014(13) RCR (Civil) 355.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that for the relief, which has been claimed in the present writ petition, the petitioner has served the respondents with a legal notice dated 18.06.2018 (Annexure P-5) which is still pending consideration and the petitioner will be satisfied in case a time bound direction is given to the respondents to decide the said legal notice by passing a speaking order.

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 legal notice, the present writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondents to pass appropriate speaking order on the claim raised by the petitioner in the legal notice dated 18.06.2018 (Annexure P-5) 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 06, 2018
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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

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