

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

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**CWP No.9598 of 2017 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 13.11.2018.**

Rakesh Sharma

....Petitioner.

Versus

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents.

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SHEKHER DHAWAN

Present: Mr. R.K. Arora, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Rukhsaar Dhindsa, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab.

Shekher Dhawan, J.

The short grievance of the petitioner in the present writ petition is regarding payment of interest on account of delay in granting the retiral benefits.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contended that the petitioner herein retired on 28.02.2015, but his retiral benefits were paid to him after considerable delay i.e. in the year 2016-17.

Learned State counsel contended that the delay was on account of some objections having been raised by the department concerned.

Taking into consideration the fact that there was no justified ground for the respondents not to release the retiral benefits to the petitioner on the due date, the present writ petition is disposed of with direction to the

respondents to make payment of interest at the rate of 9% per annum on the delayed payment of retirement benefits i.e. from the due date till the date of actual payment within a period of two months.

(SHEKHER DHAWAN)
JUDGE

13.11.2018

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Whether speaking/ reasoned : Yes/ No

Whether Reportable : Yes/ No