

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

Sr. No.132

**Civil Writ Petition No.6958 of 2018**  
**DECIDED ON: March 20, 2018**

**SURJIT SINGH BAL**

**..PETITIONER**

**VERSUS**

**STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS**

**...RESPONDENTS**

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASPAL SINGH**

Present: Mr. Rishabh Gupta, Advocate,  
for the petitioner.  
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**JASPAL SINGH, J. (ORAL)**

By virtue of instant petition preferred under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India, petitioner has sought a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to release the benefit of proficiency step up/ACP benefits and Annual Grade Increment w.e.f. the date of entitlement and to release the arrears thereof, along-with interest @ 18% per annum.

2. The contention of learned counsel for the petitioner is that petitioner stood retired on attaining the age of superannuation on May 31, 1997 and he became entitled for proficiency step up benefit in the month of January, 1991 on completion of 4/9 years of service on the post of SDE, but the said benefit has not been granted by the respondents. Petitioner moved various representations including representation dated October 11, 2017 (P-5) but till date no conscious decision has been taken. He further submits

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that he feels satisfied in case a direction is issued to respondent No.1 to consider and disposed of the afore-said representation (P-5) within some time bound manner.

3. Without expression any opinion on the merits of the case and also in view of submission made by learned counsel for the petitioner, instant petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.1 to look into the grievances unfolded by the petitioner in the representation dated October 11, 2017 (P-5) in accordance with law, rules and regulations particularly in view of judgments passed by this Court in CWP No. 18601 of 2014, titled as ***Kewal Krishan Kaushik vs. State of Punjab and others***, decided on January 12, 2017 (P-6) and CWP No. 18840 of 2014 titled as ***Gurdeep Singh vs. State of Punjab and others***, decided on January 12, 2017 (P-7), within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order. In case, petitioner still feels aggrieved by any order passed by the afore-said authority, he shall be at liberty to approach this Court.

**March 20, 2018**

*Ankur*

**(JASPAL SINGH)  
JUDGE**

**Whether speaking/reasoned  
Whether reportable**

**Yes  
Yes/No**