

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CWP No. 8749 of 2019

Date of Decision : 01.04.2019

Ramesh Chand

...Petitioner

Versus

The Punjab State Cooperative Supply & Marketing Federation Limited

...Respondent

CORAM: *HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI*

Present: Mr. Shiv Kumar, Advocate for the petitioner.

Harsimran Singh Sethi, J.(Oral)

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that though the petitioner has already retired from service on 31.05.2015 but the retiral benefits have not been released to him till now without any valid justification. Learned counsel for the petitioner states that for the release of the gratuity, the petitioner has already approached the competent authority under Payment of Gratuity Act, 1972. He further states that with regard to the other benefits, petitioner has already made representations dated 25.04.2016 and 06.07.2018 (Annexure P-3 Colly) to the respondents but there is no outcome of the same and the petitioner is yet to receive his retiral benefits even after expiry of about four years. Learned counsel further states that petitioner will be satisfied in case a time bound direction is given to the respondents to decide the representations (Annexure P-3 Colly) 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 representations, the present writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondents to pass an appropriate speaking order on the claim raised by the petitioner in the representations dated 25.04.2016 and 06.07.2018 (Annexure P-3 Colly) 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.

April 01, 2019
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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

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