

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

**CWP No. 10567 of 2019
Date of Decision : 24.04.2019**

Pawan Kumar

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: None.

Harsimran Singh Sethi, J.(Oral)

In the present writ petition, number of prayers have been made by the petitioner. The first prayer made by the petitioner is for releasing of his pensionary benefits alongwith interest as the same have not been released to him after he retired from service on 30.04.2018 after availing one year extension. Second prayer made by the petitioner is for payment of higher scale of Junior Assistant, which was not given to him though he was duly qualified for the same. Further, challenge is also made to the deduction of an amount from the pensionary benefits of the petitioner in respect of delayed deposit of the provident fund.

From the pleadings, it transpires that for all these reliefs, the petitioner has served upon the respondents a legal notice dated 07.01.2019 (Annexure P-4) and as per the averments made in the writ petition, the said legal notice is still pending consideration with the respondents.

Interest of justice will be served, at this stage, in case a time bound direction is given to the respondents to decide the said legal notice by passing an appropriate 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 an appropriate speaking order on the claim raised by the petitioner in the legal notice dated 07.01.2019 (Annexure P-4) 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 24, 2019
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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

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