

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

(120)

CWP-11987-2019

Date of Decision: May 07, 2019

Dr. Mahender Singh Sidhu

.. Petitioner

Versus

Punjabi University Patiala and another

.. Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

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

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI, J.(ORAL)

In the present writ petition, the petitioner has raised two grievances, first is counting of his service from 06.08.1981 till 1995 when the petitioner was working in Guru Kashi College, Damdama Sahib and further also release of the pensionary benefits, for which the petitioner became entitled for after he superannuated from service on 31.12.2017.

During the course of arguments, learned counsel for the petitioner restricts his claim for the release of the retiral benefits, which the Punjabi University, Patiala is to release after the retirement of the petitioner on 31.12.2017. Learned counsel for the petitioner states that though the Punjabi University, Patiala vide their letter dated 27.04.2018 attached as Annexure P-7 has already calculated the pensionary benefits of the petitioner but the same has not been released to him so far. He further states that the similarly situated personnel approached this Court by filing **CWP No.21736 of 2018 titled as Ravinder Kaur and others Vs. Punjabi University Patiala and another, decided on 31.01.2019** and other connected cases, and the petitioner prays that the present writ petition be also disposed of in the same terms.

Notice of motion. On asking of the Court, Mr. Ajaivir Singh, Advocate who had appeared for the Punjabi University, Patiala in the

connected cases, accepts notice on behalf of Punjabi University, Patiala.

After going through the averments made in the writ petition and especially the fact that for the purpose of the present writ petition, the claim of the petitioner is only for the release of the retiral benefits as computed by the respondents vide Annexure P-7, counsel for the respondents states that the present writ petition can be disposed of in terms of the order passed in **CWP No.21736 of 2018 titled as Ravinder Kaur and others Vs. Punjabi University Patiala and another, decided on 31.01.2019.**

A bare perusal of the above order would show that leave encashment was to be paid to the retirees by 31.03.2019 and the gratuity was to be released to the petitioner by 31.05.2019.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that the leave encashment has not been released to the petitioner by 31.03.2019.

Faced with this situation, counsel for the respondents states that by 31.05.2019, the benefits for which the petitioner will be entitled for after his retirement, has already computed vide Annexure P-7, will be released.

In view of the above and especially that both the counsels are agreed that the case of the petitioner in terms of the grant of retiral benefits and the interest is covered by the judgment passed in **CWP No.21736 of 2018 titled as Ravinder Kaur and others Vs. Punjabi University Patiala and another, decided on 31.01.2019,** the present writ petition is disposed of in same terms with the modification that the leave encashment will also be paid to the petitioner by 31.05.2019.

(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether reportable:	Yes/No