

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA  
AT CHANDIGARH

CWP No. 13702 of 2019

Date of Decision : 22.05.2019

Charanjit Kaur

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

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

Present: Mr. Chander Shekhar Singhal, Advocate for  
Mr. S.S. Grewal, Advocate for the petitioner.

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**Harsimran Singh Sethi, J.(Oral)**

In the present writ petition, the grievance which is being raised by the petitioner is that though her husband died on 24.08.2012 but an amount of ₹6,89,535/- from the Gratuity is still being withheld by the respondents without any valid justification. The prayer in the present writ petition is for the release of the said amount.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that for the relief, which has been claimed in the present writ petition, the petitioner has served the respondents with a legal notice dated 30.11.2018 (Annexure P-2), which is still pending consideration with the respondents and the petitioner will be satisfied, at this stage, in case a time bound direction is issued to the respondents to decide the legal notice 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 relief claimed 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 30.11.2018 (Annexure P-2) 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 her within a period of next three months.

The writ petition stands disposed of.

**May 22, 2019**  
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**(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)**  
**JUDGE**

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