

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

(116)

CWP-19969-2019

Date of Decision: July 23, 2019

Jagir Singh

.. Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.. Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: Mr. Munish Puri, Advocate, for the petitioner.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI, J.(ORAL)

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that the petitioner had worked with the respondents starting from April, 1984 and retired on attaining the age of superannuation on 30.04.2018. The grievance which has been raised by counsel for the petitioner is that the petitioner has not been released his pensionary benefits in respect of General Provident Fund and General Insurance Scheme without any valid justification.

Learned counsel for the petitioner argues that there is no impediment in the release of the benefits but the same have been withheld by the respondents without any valid justification. Counsel for the petitioner argues that even the leave encashment amounting to Rs.7,44,000/- was paid to the petitioner on 16.11.2018.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that for the relief which has been claimed in the present writ petition, the petitioner has served upon the respondents with a legal notice dated 09.10.2018 (Annexure P-1) and the petitioner will be satisfied, at this stage, in case a time bound direction is issued to the respondents to decide the same by passing an appropriate speaking order.

Without commenting upon the merits of the case or about the entitlement of the petitioner for the relief which has been claimed by him in the legal notice dated 09.10.2018 (Annexure P-1), the present writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondents to decide the legal notice dated 09.10.2018 (Annexure P-1) within a period of three months from the receipt of copy of this order.

In case, after the decision of the legal notice, it is found that the petitioner is entitled for any monetary benefits, the same should also be paid to him within three months thereafter.

(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

July 23, 2019
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Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether reportable:	Yes/No