

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

(248)

CWP-20716-2017

Date of Decision: May 13, 2019

Harminder Singh and ors

.. Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.. Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: None for the petitioners.

Ms. Deepali Puri Sandhu, Addl. A.G., Punjab,
for respondent No.1.

Mr. Aman Sharma, Advocate, for respondent No.2.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI, J.(ORAL)

In the present writ petition, the prayer of the petitioners is for the grant of interest on the delayed payments.

As per the averments made in the writ petition, petitioner No.1 retired on 31.10.2016, petitioner No.2 retired on 31.01.2016 and petitioner No.3 retired on 28.02.2016. In paragraph six of the writ petition, it is stated that the payments of retiral benefits were delayed by the respondents and it is the plea of the petitioners that there were no impediment in the release of the benefits after the retirement of the petitioners as there were no disciplinary proceedings or any other criminal proceedings pending against the petitioners which would entitle the respondents to withhold the benefits.

Though, the reply has not been filed but counsel for the respondents states that this Court, in the similar circumstances, decided

CWP No.15306 of 2016 titled as Hari Ram and others vs. Pepsu Road Transport Corporation, Nabha Road, Patiala, on 04.09.2017, wherein the benefit of interest has been granted to the similarly situated employees, in whose cases also, there was a delay in releasing of the pensionary benefits.

Learned counsel for the respondents further states that the case of the petitioners will be covered by the judgment in **CWP No.15306 of 2016 titled as Hari Ram and others vs. Pepsu Road Transport Corporation, Nabha Road, Patiala, on 04.09.2017,** and the respondents have no objection in case the present writ petition is also disposed of in same terms.

As there is no representation on behalf of the petitioners and keeping in view the request made by counsel for the respondents, the present writ petition is disposed of in terms of the order passed by this Court in **CWP No.15306 of 2016 titled as Hari Ram and others vs. Pepsu Road Transport Corporation, Nabha Road, Patiala, on 04.09.2017.**

(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes
Whether reportable: No