

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

(125)

CWP-23708-2019

Date of Decision: September 18, 2019

Sukhjinder Singh

.. Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.. Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: Mr. Kapil Kakkar, Advocate, for the petitioner.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI, J.(ORAL)

Learned counsel for the petitioner argues that the arrears of pension amounting to Rs.6,54,549/- for which the petitioner was entitled has not been paid to the petitioner from 21.08.2008 till 30.04.2014 despite the fact that the same already stands sanctioned by the respondents. Learned counsel for the petitioner argues that the petitioner is also entitled for interest on the said amount which is still lying with the respondents and has not been released to the petitioner without any valid justification.

The prayer of the petitioner is for issuance of a direction to the respondents to release the said amount of Rs.6,54,549/- which was due to the petitioner on the day when the petitioner was extended the benefit of voluntary retirement i.e. 20.08.2018 till the release of the amount by the respondents.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that for the relief which has been claimed in the present writ petition, the petitioner has submitted a representation dated 03.02.2018 (Annexure P-8) to the respondents, 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 said representation 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 representation dated 03.02.2018 (Annexure P-8), the present writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondents to decide the representation dated 03.02.2018 (Annexure P-8), within a period of three months from the receipt of certified copy of this order.

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

September 18, 2019
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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes
Whether reportable:	No