

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CWP-31830-2019

Date of decision: - 04.11.2019

Ram Gopal

....Petitioner

Versus

Haryana Seeds Development Corporation Limited

.....Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present:- None for the petitioner.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI, J. (ORAL)

In the present writ petition, the grievance which is being raised by the petitioner is that his gratuity amounting to ₹6,31,677/- was retained by the respondents even after he superannuated from service on 30.04.2016. The amount of gratuity was only released by the respondents on 22.02.2017 and that too after deducting an amount of ₹1,91,619/- vide order dated 21.11.2012 (Annexure P-1). The appeal filed by the petitioner on 09.05.2017 (Annexure P-4) against the recovery order dated 21.11.2012 (Annexure P-1) was allowed by the Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Agriculture, Former Welfare, Haryana vide order dated 29.12.2017 (Annexure P-5) and after the said recovery was set-aside, the amount of ₹1,91,619/- was released to the petitioner on 23.02.2018. The prayer of the petitioner is for the grant of interest on the

said amount, which was withheld by the respondents and could not be used by the petitioner.

From the pleadings, it transpires that for the relief, which has been sought in the present writ petition, petitioner has submitted a representation dated 24.07.2018 (Annexure P-7), which is still pending consideration with the respondents.

Interest of justice will be served, 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 expressing any opinion on the merits of the case and entitlement of the petitioner in respect of the claim made in the writ petition/representation, the respondents are directed to decide the representation dated 24.07.2018 (Annexure P-7) within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order.

Present writ petition stands disposed of.

November 04, 2019
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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking?
Whether reportable?

Yes
No