

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CWP-33592 of 2019

Date of decision: 19.11.2019

Asha Bakshi

.... Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab and others

.... Respondents

CORAM:HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: Mr. Namit Gautam, Advocate
for the petitioner.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI, J. .

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that after the death of the husband of the petitioner, namely, Pushvinder Bakshi, who was working as Supervisor with Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana, petitioner was entitled for gratuity amounting to Rs.10,00,000/-, out of which only a sum of Rs.6,36,295/- has been paid and that the remaining amount of Rs.3,63,705/- has not been released by the respondents without any valid justification. Learned counsel for the petitioner prays that a direction be issued to the respondents to release the remaining amount of gratuity to the petitioner.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that for the relief, which is being claimed in the present writ petition, the petitioner has served the respondents with legal notice dated 30.05.2019 (Annexure P/16), 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 legal notice.

In view of the request made, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case or the claim being made by the petitioner, the respondents are directed to decide the legal notice dated 30.05.2019 (Annexure P/16), by passing a speaking order within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order. In case after the decision, it is found that the petitioner is entitled for any monetary benefit, the same shall also be released to her within a period of next three months.

Present writ petition stands disposed of.

(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

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| 1. | Whether speaking/non-speaking? | Yes/No |
| 2. | Whether reportable? | Yes/No |