

113 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CWP No.36637 of 2019(O&M)
Date of decision : December 18, 2019

Raj Kumar Chaudhary

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present:- Mr. Rajeev Dev Sharma, Advocate for the petitioner.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI J. (ORAL)

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that the petitioner retired from service on attaining the age of superannuation on 28.02.2018 but his retiral benefits, such as Group Insurance Scheme, commutation of pension and gratuity were delayed by the respondents and therefore, the petitioner is entitled for interest on the delayed payments, keeping in view the settled principal of law settled by the Full Bench of this Court in case of ***“A.S. Randhawa vs State of Punjab”, 1997(3) SCT 468***. Prayer of the petitioner is for issuance of a direction to the respondents to grant interest to the petitioner on the delayed release of Group Insurance Scheme amount, commutation of pension and gratuity released on 01.06.2018, 26.07.2018 and 20.04.2019 respectively.

Counsel for the petitioner states that for the relief which has been sought in the present writ petition, petitioner has submitted a representation dated 04.06.2019 (Annexure P-2) with 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

respondent No.3 to decide the same by passing an appropriate speaking order in accordance with law.

In view of the request made, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case or the claim being made by the petitioner, respondent No.3 is directed to decide the representation dated 04.06.2019 (Annexure P-2), by passing a speaking order within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order.

Present writ petition stands disposed of.

(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

December 18, 2019

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Whether speaking / reasoned

Yes

Whether Reportable:

No