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

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Date of Decision: 16th March, 2020

Jaswinder Singh & others

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab & others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH

Present: Mr. Baljeet Singh Sidhu, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Mehardeep Singh, Addl. A.G. Punjab.

AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH, J. (ORAL)

On perusal of the affidavit which has been filed by the Executive Engineer, Water Supply & Sanitation Division, Sri Anandpur Sahib, dated 16.03.2020, it is apparent that the share of the petitioners stands transferred to their account. Petitioners are claiming interest on this delayed payment, to which the learned counsel for the State has referred to the instructions dated 17.07.2014 issued by the Government of Punjab, Department of Finance, dealing with the aspect of skipping over from the New Defined Contributory Pension Scheme to the Old Pension Scheme, where there is no provision for interest.

Perusal of the said reference would indicate that it was in pursuance to the judgment passed by this Court on 31.08.2010 in CWP No.2371 of 2010 but the said amount, despite the above fact, has not been

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released to them till date. Petitioners are, therefore, justified in claiming interest on the delayed payment. They are held entitled to interest at the rate of 6% per annum from the date of accrual till the date of disbursal. The said amount be released to the petitioner within a period of six weeks.

The writ petition stands disposed of in above terms.

16th March, 2020
Harish

(AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable:	Yes/No