

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CWP No.2160 of 2020

DATE OF DECISION:28.01.2020

Girdhari Lal

... 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 was initially appointed on work charge basis on 01.03.1998 and he continued working there till his services were regularized on 21.02.2004. Thereafter, on attaining the age of superannuation, the petitioner retired from service on 31.05.2019.

Counsel for the petitioner argues that despite there being no valid justification, the pensionary benefits of the petitioner have not been released despite the fact that more than seven months have passed after the petitioner retired and it is very difficult for the petitioner to survive in these hard days without the release of the pensionary benefits. He further argues that the Accountant General, Punjab had written a letter to the respondent-department to provide certain information qua the work charge service of the petitioner but the clarification has not been sent by the department due to which the pensionary benefits of the petitioner have not been released.

The prayer of the petitioner is for issuance of a direction to

the respondents to release the pensionary benefits of the petitioner forthwith.

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 02.12.2019 (Annexure P-2), which is still pending consideration with the respondents and the petitioner will be satisfied, at this stage, in case, a time bound direction is given to respondent No.2 to decide the representation dated 02.12.2019 (Annexure P-2).

Without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case and entitlement of the petitioner in respect of the claim made in the representation dated 02.12.2019, respondent No.2 is directed to decide the representation dated 02.12.2019 (Annexure P-2) within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order.

In case it is found that the petitioner is entitled for any relief, the same shall also be released to him within a period of next three months.

Present writ petition stands disposed of.

January 28, 2020
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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes / No
Whether reportable : Yes / No