

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

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(PROCEEDINGS THROUGH V.C.)

CIVIL WRIT PETITION NO.10916 OF 2020

DATE OF DECISION: JULY 30, 2020

Raghubir Singh and others

.....Petitioners

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Punjabi University, Patiala and another

....Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASI

Present: Mr. Vikas Singh, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASI, J. (ORAL)

Prayer in this writ petition is for issuance of a writ of mandamus directing the respondents to pay the unpaid dearness allowance arrears which were raised from 80% to 90% for the period from 01.07.2013 to 31.01.2014 and thereafter increased from 90% to 100% for the period from 01.01.2014 to 30.09.2014 and increased arrears from 100% to 107% for the period from 01.07.2014 to 28.02.2015 alongwith 9% interest on account of delay in payment. It is asserted that the claim of the petitioner is pending considered with the respondents but without any decision. Assertion has also been made that notice through counsel dated 19.02.2020 (Annexure P-4), which was served by the petitioner, has also not yielded any result till date.

Notice of motion.

On the asking of the Court, Mr.Ajaivir Singh, Advocate, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents.

Having considered the prayer made in the present petition, this Court is of the view that interest of justice would be served by directing the respondents to consider and decide the legal notice dated 19.02.2020 (Annexure P-4) within a period of three months from today. In case the claim of the petitioner is accepted, the consequential benefits be released to him within a further period of three weeks.

With the above observations, the writ petition stands disposed of.

July 30, 2020
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(AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH)
JUDGE

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