

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CWP no.15831 of 2020
Date of Decision: 30.09.2020

Aman Sharma and others

...Petitioners

Versus

Punjabi University, Patiala and another

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMOL RATTAN SINGH

Present:- Mr. Hardeep Singh, Advocate, for the petitioners.
Mr. Ajaivir Singh, Advocate, for the respondents.

Amol Rattan Singh, J. (Oral)

All the cases listed today have been taken up for hearing by way of video conferencing because of the situation existing due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

By this petition, filed under the provisions of Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India, the petitioners seek issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus, directing the respondents to pay the unpaid Dearness Allowance arrears (increased from 80% to 90% for the period from 01.07.2013 to 31.01.2014, 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), along with interest @9% per annum, on account of the delay in payment.

In respect of their grievance, the petitioners are stated to have got issued a legal notice to the respondent University (copy Annexure P-6), on 03.07.2020.

Notice of motion be issued to the respondents.

Mr. Ajaivir Singh, Advocate, appears and accepts notice on behalf of the respondent University.

Without making any comment on the actual merits of the case, this petition is disposed of with a direction to the competent authority amongst the respondents to take a decision on the aforesaid legal notice of the petitioners within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order, by passing a detailed speaking order.

If the claim of the petitioners, or any part of it, is actually found to be admissible, the dues would be released to them within a period of two months thereafter.

If a completely detailed speaking order has already been passed by the competent authority, then only a short order would now be need to be passed, annexing therewith the detailed order already passed (if any).

30.09.2020
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(AMOL RATTAN SINGH)
JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking: Yes
Whether reportable: No