

CWP-17472-2020
Date of decision : October 16, 2020HARMAIL SINGH AND ORS
Versus

.....Petitioners

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ORS

....Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE LISA GILL

Present: Mr. Jasbir Singh Mohri, Advocate for the petitioners.

Ms. Sunint Kaur, AAG, Punjab.

LISA GILL, J

This matter is being taken up for hearing through video conferencing due to outbreak of the pandemic, COVID-19.

The petitioners seek the issuance of writ of mandamus, directing the respondents to release the amount of CPF contribution alongwith interest accrued, thereon. It is submitted that despite serving legal notice dated 10.08.2020 (Annexure P6), upon the respondents the matter is not being finally decided by the competent authority.

At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioners restricts the prayer for a conclusive decision of legal notice dated 10.08.2020 (Annexure P6), by the competent authority, in a time bound manner while taking into consideration orders dated 07.01.2016 and 24.01.2017, attached with this petition as Annexures P2 and P3, respectively.

Keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the case, as well as limited prayer addressed at this stage, but without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, this petition is disposed of with a direction

to the competent authority to consider the petitioners' claim and decide legal notice dated 10.08.2020 (Annexure P6), within two months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order. In case, the petitioners are found entitled to the amount in question, same be released within six weeks thereafter.

October 16, 2020
rts

(Lisa Gill)
Judge

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No