

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

CWP-18169-2020 (O&M)
Date of decision: 2.11.2020

Kalawati @ Kalawanti and another

... Petitioner (s)

Versus

State of Punjab and another

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KARAMJIT SINGH

Present: Mr. Harshit Jain, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

KARAMJIT SINGH, J. (Oral)

Case has been heard through video conferencing in view of
COVID-19 Pandemic.

This writ petition has been filed by the petitioners directing the
respondents to release their entire retiral benefits including leave
encashment and gratuity along with interest.

Counsel for the petitioners submits that the present case is
covered under the judgment of the Coordinate Bench of this Court rendered
in CWP-23150-2016; titled as **Salochna Devi v. State of Punjab and
another** decided on 31.1.2017.

Notice of motion.

Ms. Akshita Chauhan, AAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of
respondent No.1.

Counsel for the petitioners submits that he will be satisfied if

PARITOSH KUMAR necessary direction is given to respondent No.2 to consider and decide
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representation (P-5) in a time bound manner in the light of the judgment in **Salochna Devi's** case (supra).

Learned State counsel on behalf of respondent No.1 has made submission that she has no objection if representation moved by the petitioners is ordered to be decided by respondent No.2.

Accordingly, without commenting upon the merits of the case or about the entitlement of the petitioners, for the relief which has been claimed by them in the representation dated 6.10.2020 (Annexure P-5), the present writ petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 to decide the aforesaid representation dated 6.10.2020 (Annexure P-5) in the light of judgment in **Salochna Devi's** case (supra) passed by this Court, 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 petitioners are entitled for any monetary benefits, after the decision of the representation, the same should also be paid to them within two months thereafter.

(KARAMJIT SINGH)
JUDGE

November 2, 2020

Paritosh Kumar

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