

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

(214)

CWP No. 26540 of 2016

Date of Decision : 19.02.2020

Majinder Kaur

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present:- Mr. H.R. Bhardwaj, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Navdeep Chhabra, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab.

Mr. S.S. Tiwana, Advocate for

Mr. H.K. Brinda, Advocate for respondent No. 3.

Harsimran Singh Sethi, J. (Oral)

In the present writ petition, the claim of the petitioner is for issuance of a direction to the respondents for release of the pensionary benefits, which the respondents had withheld after the petitioner had retired on 28.02.2021 on attaining the age of superannuation.

During the course of hearing, learned counsel for the petitioner very fairly states that during the pendency of the writ petition, petitioner has already received the amount for which she was entitled. The prayer of the petitioner is that she is also entitled for interest as the amount has been released by the respondents after undue delay keeping in view the judgment

of the Full Bench of this Court in ***A.S. Randhawa Vs. State of Punjab and***

others, 1997(3) SCT 468.

Learned counsel for the respondent-State states that let the petitioner approach the respondents claiming interest by filing appropriate representation and the claim of the petitioner will be examined keeping in view the law laid down by the Full Bench of this Court in *A.S. Randhawa's case (supra)* and in case, petitioner is found entitled for the interest if the delay is attributable to the State, the benefit of interest will also be extended to her by passing an appropriate speaking order and the appropriate speaking order will be passed within a period of three months of the receipt of the representation.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that keeping in view the statement given by learned counsel for the State, petitioner does not press this writ petition any further, at this stage and the same may be disposed of having been not pressed.

Ordered accordingly.

February 19, 2020
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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking? *Yes*
Whether reportable? *No*