

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

Date of Decision : December 07, 2020

1. CWP- 20880-2020

Daya PETITIONER(S)

VERSUS

State of Punjab and others RESPONDENT(S)

2. CWP- 20882-2020

Krishna PETITIONER(S)

VERSUS

State of Punjab and others RESPONDENT(S)

3. CWP- 20891-2020

Kanta PETITIONER(S)

VERSUS

State of Punjab and others RESPONDENT(S)

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR

Mr. Navdeep Chhabra, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab.
Mr. Mandeep Singh Baath, Advocate, for respondent No.3.

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Sanjay Kumar, J.

These three writ petitions are amenable to disposal at the admission stage.

The petitioner in CWP-20891-2020 is the widow of a Safai Sewak who retired from the service of the Municipal Corporation, Abohar. The petitioners in CWP-20880-2020 and CWP-20882-2020 are also Safai Sewaks who retired from the service of the said Corporation. The grievance of the petitioners is that the Corporation did not release the service-cum-retirement benefits due and payable, in their entirety. Legal notices were gotten issued by all the three petitioners. The widow got issued legal notice dated 17.09.2020 while the petitioner in CWP-20880-2020 got issued legal notice dated 09.10.2020 and the petitioner in CWP-20882-2020 got issued legal notice dated 13.10.2020. The Municipal Corporation, Abohar, is yet to take appropriate action upon these legal notices.

As it is for the Corporation, in the first instance, to address the claims of the petitioners, as put forth by them in their legal notices, no cause is made out for this Court to entertain these writ petitions for adjudication on merits.

Mr. Mandeep Singh Baath, learned counsel, takes notice for the Municipal Corporation, Abohar, and states that he has no objection to the disposal of the writ petitions, directing his client to take a decision and

appropriate consequential action thereon within a reasonable time. He however states that copies of the papers have not been supplied to him.

In that view of the matter, the writ petitions are disposed of directing the Municipal Corporation, Abohar, to consider the aforestated legal notices gotten issued by the petitioners and take appropriate action in relation thereto within two months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order. In the event the claims of the petitioners are found to be lawful, the amounts due and payable shall be released to them within one month thereafter. Any payment with delay, after the stipulated period, shall carry interest @ 6% per annum.

Mr. Peeush Gagneja, learned counsel for the petitioners, shall supply copies of the paper books in all three writ petitions to Mr. Mandeep Singh Baath, learned counsel, during the course of the day.

No order as to costs.

December 07, 2020
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(Sanjay Kumar)
Judge

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