

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

CWP 26112 of 2021 (O&M)

Date of Decision: December 21, 2021

Harjit Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE FATEH DEEP SINGH

Present : Mr. Parteek Pandit, Advocate
for the petitioner.

FATEH DEEP SINGH, J. (Oral)

The matter has been taken up through Video conferencing on account of outbreak of pandemic COVID-19.

The petitioner has come up in this civil writ petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India seeking a prayer by way of writ of *mandamus* directing the respondents to release the payment of GPF and other dues withheld illegally and arbitrarily despite the resignation of the petitioner having been accepted vide order dated 20.07.2013 w.e.f. 16.06.2013 and interest @ 18% per annum on the delayed payment, for which, legal notice dated 21.11.2019 (Annexure P-7) has also been submitted before the respondent-authorities.

Heard.

Upon hearing learned counsel for the petitioner, the directions are issued to the respondent-authorities to duly consider the legal notice dated 21.11.2019 (Annexure P-7) as representation of the petitioner and decide the same in accordance with law by passing a speaking order, preferably, within a period of one month from the date of receipt of copy of this order.

If the petitioner is held entitled for so claimed relief and there is no impediment for granting the same, the relief be released to him without any delay.

Disposed off.

December 21, 2021

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(FATEH DEEP SINGH)

JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No