

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

CWP-13773-2021

Date of Decision: 27.07.2021

Mehar Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and ors

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA

Present: Mr. Rahul Arora, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Nikhil Chopra, Additional A.G., Punjab.

(Presence marked through Video Conference)

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ARUN MONGA, J. (ORAL)

Petitioner herein, *inter alia*, seeks issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to release his dues and other admissible service benefits like Gratuity, GPF etc.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner retired on 30.09.2020 as District Pharmacy Officer after rendering more than 39 years of service. He submits that petitioner made several request to release his legitimate dues but to no avail. Thereafter, he caused issuance of a legal notice dated 14.04.2021 (Annexure P-2) seeking the relief as aforesaid, the same has also not been adverted by the respondents till date. Hence, the instant petition.

3. Notice of motion.

4. Learned State counsel, on advance service, joins proceedings and accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State of Punjab and seeks time to file reply.

5. At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that let a final decision is taken, either way, by the respondents on the pending legal notice dated 14.04.2021 (Annexure P-2), giving reasons thereof.

6. Given the nature of order being passed, there is no necessity to seek return by any of the respondents as no further proceedings and/or pleadings are required.

7. Without commenting on the merits of the case, the writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the competent authority to look into the grievance of the petitioner as per legal notice dated 14.04.2021 (Annexure P-2) and also by keeping in view the contentions raised in the present petition by treating the same as supplementary representation and take a decision, in accordance with law.

8. Let the needful be done within a period of three months from today.

9. Disposed of accordingly.

(ARUN MONGA)
JUDGE

27.07.2021
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Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether reportable:	Yes/No