

HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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CWP-14988-2021 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 06.08.2021

Balbir Singh & Ors.

... Petitioners

VS.

State of Punjab & Ors.

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE GIRISH AGNIHOTRI

Present: Mr. Jasbir Singh Mohri, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Ayush Sarna, Asst. A.G., Punjab.

GIRISH AGNIHOTRI, J. (Oral)

The matter has been taken up through video conferencing on account of restrictions due to outbreak of COVID-19 pandemic.

Petitioners-Balbir Singh and 11 others have jointly filed the present writ petition *inter alia* with the prayer for directing the respondents to release the amount of Contributory Provident Fund contribution made by the petitioners alongwith interest and to decide the legal notice dated 20.05.2021 (Annexure P-6) along with further relief as mentioned in the petition.

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners had made a request to the respondents-department, to release the amount of Contributory Provident Fund contribution made by the petitioners alongwith interest. He further submits that for the same/similar grievance the petitioners had served a legal notice upon respondents on dated 20.05.2021 (Annexure P-6).

Notice of motion.

On asking of the Court, Mr. Ayush Sarna, Asst. A.G., Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the State.

In view of the above and without commenting on the merits of the case, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2/Competent Authority, to consider the claim in the legal notice dated 20.05.2021 (Annexure P-6) and decide the same in accordance with law, as expeditiously as possible, preferably within a period of **05 months** from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

Ordered accordingly.

06.08.2021
Shruti

(Girish Agnihotri)
Judge

1. *Whether speaking/reasoned?*

Yes/No

2. *Whether reportable?*

Yes/No