

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

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**CWP No.14476 of 2020
Decided on : 16.02.2021**

Pritam Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

Punjab State Power Corporation Ltd. and others

... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE G.S. SANDHAWALIA

Present: Mr. V.K. Shukla, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Monica Chhibber Sharma, Advocate
for respondents-Corporation.

Ms. Simran Grewal, AAG, Punjab.

(The proceedings are being conducted through
video conferencing, as per instructions.)

G.S. Sandhawal, J. (Oral)

The petitioner in the present writ petition filed under Articles 226 of the Constitution of India seeks benefit of work-charge service from 21.10.1987 to 03.09.1997, followed by regular service towards pensionary benefits and release of the same, on account of his retirement from service, alongwith 12% interest per annum.

Short reply on behalf of respondents-Corporation has been filed in which it has been averred that the grievances of the petitioner has been redressed and work charge service of 9 years 10 months 14 days followed by regular service has been counted as qualifying service for pensionary benefits, as per order dated 20.05.2020 (Annexure R-1). The order dated 08.02.2020 (Annexure R-2) is also alleged to have been passed clarifying that there were pending charge-sheets during service tenure, which have been decided vide order dated 24.10.2020 and a cut of

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2% has been imposed on his pension for a period of one year. Further details have been given regarding funds of GPF Rs.2,33,190/- gratuity of Rs.9,01,310/-, leave encashment of Rs.5,28,420/- and commuted pension of Rs.3,36,916/-, which have been released to the petitioner in January, 2021. Thus, it has been averred that the petitioner is not entitled for any interest on the pensionary benefits

Counsel submits that he be given liberty to challenge the same by filing an appropriate petition.

Keeping in view the above the present writ petition stands disposed off as having been rendered infructuous. Liberty is given to raise the claim of element of interest, if permissible and made out.

FEBRUARY 16, 2021
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(G.S. SANDHAWALIA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether Reportable:

Yes/No