

CWP-17226-2021

Date of decision: 03.09.2021

Charanjeet Kaur and others

.....Petitioners

versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE FATEH DEEP SINGH**Present:** Mr. K.K. Thakur, Advocate
for the petitioners.**FATEH DEEP SINGH, J. (ORAL)**

Due to outbreak of pandemic COVID-19, the instant case is being taken up for hearing through video conferencing.

The petitioners have invoked the jurisdiction of this Court in terms of Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India for the issuance of an appropriate writ in the nature of *mandamus* for the issuance of directions to respondents No.2 and 3 to consider the claim of the petitioners and to release the pensionary and other service benefits arising out of the death of husband of petitioner No.1 and father of petitioners No.2 to 5 along with interest @ 18% per annum which is now illegally withheld by respondents No.2 and 3 without any reasonable ground and the same is grossly violative of the law, arbitrary, unjustified and discriminatory.

Notice of motion to the official respondents.

Ms. Simran Grewal, AAG, Punjab puts in appearance and accepts notice on behalf of the official respondents-State. Copy supplied.

Heard.

Upon hearing learned counsel of both the sides and on perusal of the records, the present petition stands disposed off with the directions to the official respondents to consider the representation dated 28.08.2019 (Annexure P-4) moved by the petitioners 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 the certified copy of this order.

If found entitled and if there is no impediment for the release of payment, the same be granted to the petitioners without any delay, as per law.

The petition stands disposed off accordingly.

03.09.2021

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**(FATEH DEEP SINGH)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No