

CWP-20692-2021

Date of decision: 12.10.2021

Mohan Chandra Tewari

.....Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE FATEH DEEP SINGH**Present:** Mr. Vikas Chatrath, Advocate
for the petitioner.**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 petitioner has invoked the jurisdiction of this Court in terms of Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India seeking prayer by way of writ of *mandamus* for directing the respondents to release the due retiral benefits i.e. Gratuity and leave encashment etc to the petitioner who stands superannuated on 31.01.2017 along with interest @ 18% per annum as the same have been withhold illegally and arbitrarily.

Heard.

Notice of motion to the official respondents.

Ms. Harsimran Rai, DAG, Punjab puts in appearance and accepts notice on behalf of the official respondents-State. Copy supplied.

Upon hearing learned counsel of both sides and on perusal of the records, the present petition stands disposed off with the directions to the official respondents to consider the representations dated 05.12.2018 (Annexure P-13) and dated 07.08.2021 (Annexure P-15) and legal notice dated 03.02.2021 (Annexure P-14) as representation moved by 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 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 petitioner without any delay, as per law.

The petition stands disposed off accordingly.

12.10.2021
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(FATEH DEEP SINGH)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No