

CWP-22997-2021

Date of Decision : 12.11.2021

Iqbal Singh and others

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

Coram : Hon'ble Mr. Justice B.S. Walia

Present : Mr. Baljeet Singh Sidhu, Advocate for the petitioners.

B.S. Walia, J. (Oral)

1. Prayer in the petition under Articles 226 / 227 of the Constitution of India, is for the issuance of a writ, order or direction especially in the nature of Mandamus for directing the respondents to release the amount deposited by the petitioners towards contributory provident fund along with interest accrued thereon.

2. At the outset, learned counsel contends that the petitioners have served a legal notice, Annexure P/7 dated 24.02.2021, on respondent No.2, but no decision has been taken on the same till date and that in the circumstances, the petitioners would be satisfied if the writ petition is disposed of by directing respondent No.2 to consider and decide the claim made in legal notice, Annexure P/7 dated 24.02.2021, in a time bound manner.

3. Notice of motion to respondent No.2 only.

4. Ms. Harsimrat Rai, DAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondent No.2 and after perusal of the writ petition states that she has no objection to the limited prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioners.

5. Accordingly, in view of the statement of learned counsel for the parties but without commenting upon the merits of the claim, the writ petition is disposed of by directing respondent No.2 to consider and decide the claim made in legal notice, Annexure P/7 dated 24.02.2021 in accordance with law after taking into account all aspects of the matter within three months from the date of receipt of certified copy of the order and in case the petitioners are found entitled to any benefits, to release the same to the petitioners within four weeks thereafter.

6. Petition disposed of with the aforementioned directions.

12.11.2021

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(B.S. Walia)
Judge

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