

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

CWP No.1235 of 2022

Date of decision: 14th February, 2022

Sunil Sharma

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE FATEH DEEP SINGH

Present: Mr. Rominder Singh, Advocate for
Mr. Harchand S. Batth, Advocate for the petitioner.

FATEH DEEP SINGH, J. (ORAL)

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

The petitioner has invoked the writ jurisdiction of this Court in terms of Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India seeking appropriate writ in the nature of mandamus for issuance of directions to the respondents to release an amount of around ₹ 13 lacs under the head of leave encashment on account of retirement of the petitioner as Sub Divisional Officer along with interest @ 18% p.a. from the due date i.e. 31.03.2020 till actual disbursement, with a further direction to decide representations dated 20.09.2021 (Annexure P8) and dated 26.11.2021 (Annexure P9).

Heard.

Notice of motion to the official respondents.

Ms. Simran Grewal, Asst. Advocate General, Punjab puts in appearance and accepts notice on behalf of the said respondents. Copy of the paper book has been supplied to her.

Upon hearing learned counsel for both the sides and perusal of the records, the present petition stands disposed off with direction to the respondents to consider the representations dated 20.09.2021 (Annexure P8) and dated 26.11.2021 (Annexure P9) 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 a 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.

(FATEH DEEP SINGH)
JUDGE

February 14, 2022

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