

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

CWP 2321 of 2022 (O&M)

Date of Decision: February 09, 2022

Malkiat Singh and others ...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE FATEH DEEP SINGH

Present : Mr. Rakesh Sobti, Advocate
for the petitioners.

FATEH DEEP SINGH, J. (Oral)

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

The petitioners have come up in this civil writ petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India seeking a prayer by way of writ of *mandamus* directing respondents to release the arrears of salary to the petitioners for the period from 01.03.1996 till their date of retirement which they are entitled on their promotion to the post of SDO and to make payment of arrears of salary with interest @ 12% per annum payable for the delayed period till date of actual payment, for which, legal notice dated 26.07.2021 (Annexure P/6) has also been served upon the respondent authorities.

Heard.

Upon hearing learned counsel for the petitioners, the directions are issued to the respondent-authorities to duly consider legal notice dated 26.07.2021 (Annexure P-6) of 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 copy of this order.

If the petitioners are held entitled for so claimed relief and there is no impediment for granting the same, the relief be released to them without any delay.

Disposed off.

February 09, 2022

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(FATEH DEEP SINGH)

JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No