

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

CWP 3465 of 2022 (O&M)

Date of Decision: February 23, 2022

Prem Kumar and others ...Petitioners

Versus

The State of Punjab through its Secretary and others
... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE FATEH DEEP SINGH

Present : Mr. Abhishek Kumar Premi, 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 immediately release the pension, gratuity and other retiral benefits of the petitioners and interest @ 9% per annum on delayed payments, for which, legal notice dated 12.01.2022 (Annexure P/8) 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 12.01.2022 (Annexure P-8) as representation of 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 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 23, 2022
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(FATEH DEEP SINGH)
JUDGE

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