

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

CWP No.4288 of 2022

Date of decision: 4th March, 2022

Balwinder Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab & others

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE FATEH DEEP SINGH

Present: Mr. Virinder K. Shukla, 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 Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking appropriate writ in the nature of mandamus for issuance of directions to the respondents to release the retiral benefits of the petitioner including gratuity, leave encashment and arrears of salary etc. along with interest @ 12% p.a. and in alternate to decide the legal notice dated 10.01.2022 (Annexure P-5).

Heard.

Notice of motion to the official respondents.

Ms. Anju Sharma Kaushik, Dy. 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 on perusal of the records, the present petition stands disposed off with direction to the official respondents to consider the legal notice dated 10.01.2022 (Annexure P5), as representation 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

March 4, 2022

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