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

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**CWP-5429-2022**

**Date of Decision: 17.03.2022**

Vijay Kumar

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI**

Present: Ms. Sudha, Advocate,  
for the petitioner.

**(Through Video Conference)**

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**HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI J. (ORAL)**

In the present petition, though the challenge has been made to the charge-sheet dated 05.12.2014 (Annexure P-1) but learned counsel for the petitioner submits that as the petitioner has already retired on 31.01.2021 and his pensionary benefits are not being paid to him due to the pendency of the said charge-sheet dated 05.12.2014, therefore, appropriate direction be given to respondent No.2 to conclude the proceedings initiated against the petitioner through the said charge-sheet in a time bound manner, so that the pensionary benefits of the petitioner can be released to him without any further delay.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that at this stage, the petitioner restricts his prayer only to directing respondent No.2 to conclude the proceedings in charge-sheet dated 05.12.2014 (Annexure P-1) in a time bound manner and thereafter release the pensionary benefits, for which he

becomes entitled for after conclusion of the same, so that the petitioner does not suffer any further prejudice due to the charge-sheet which is already pending for more than seven years now.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Kannan Malik, AAG, Punjab, keeping in view the advance service of the copy of petition, accepts notice on behalf of the State and submits that in case the proceedings in respect to the charge-sheet dated 05.12.2014 (Annexure P-1) are still pending consideration with the authorities concerned and the same is yet to attain finality, the disciplinary proceedings pending against the petitioner will be completed within a period of four months from the date of receipt of the copy of this order and thereafter, the claim of the petitioner for the grant of pensionary benefits will be considered in accordance with law and whatever is found due to the petitioner will be released to him within a period of eight weeks thereafter.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that after the statement of learned State counsel, recorded hereinbefore, no further grievance of the petitioner survives at this stage, hence the present petition may kindly be disposed of as not being pressed any further.

Ordered accordingly.

**17.03.2022**

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**(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)**  
**JUDGE**

1. Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes
2. Whether reportable : No