

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

CWP No.8448 of 2022

Date of decision : 25.04.2022

Hardeep Singh

..... Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab and Ors.

..... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present :- Ms. Riti Aggarwal, Advocate for
Mr. Sunny Singla, Advocate
for the petitioner.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI, J. (Oral)

Learned counsel for the petitioner argues that though, the petitioner has already retired from service on attaining the age of superannuation on 30.06.2017 but, his retiral/pensionary benefits are not being released to him by the respondents. Learned counsel for the petitioner argues that as per the judgment of the Full Bench of this Court in *A.S. Randhawa vs. State of Punjab and others, 1997 (3) RAJ 318*, in case, there is no impediment in the release of the retiral/pensionary benefits of the petitioner and the delay is more than two months, the petitioner is entitled for the grant of pensionary benefits along with interest.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has already raised the said grievance before the respondents by serving a legal notice dated 22.02.2022 (Annexure P/7), which is still pending consideration with the respondents and the petitioner will be satisfied at this stage, in case a time bound direction is issued to respondent No.2 to decide the said legal notice through a speaking order.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Vikas Mohan Gupta, Addl. A.G, Punjab, who is present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of respondent-State and raises no objection in deciding the legal notice (Annexure P/7) in a time bound manner by passing an appropriate speaking order.

In view of the request made, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case or the claim being made by the petitioner in legal notice dated 22.02.2022 (Annexure P/7), respondent No.2 is directed to decide the legal notice dated 22.02.2022 (Annexure P/7) by passing a speaking order within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of copy of this order.

Present writ petition stands disposed of.

(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

25.04.2022

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Whether speaking/reasoned	: Yes
Whether Reportable	: No