

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

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CWP-9489-2021

Date of decision: 23.08.2022

ANOK SINGH

.....Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

.....Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VINOD S. BHARDWAJ

Present:- Mr. Amrindra Pratap Singh, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Sanjay Sabharwal, Addl. A.G. Punjab.

VINOD S. BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

The instant Civil Writ Petition has been filed under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India for the issuance of writ of certiorari for quashing the impugned order dated 05.08.2004 (Annexure -8) whereby State Freedom Fighter pension of the petitioner was suspended by the Government of Punjab in an illegal manner without providing an opportunity of hearing with a further prayer for issuance of writ of mandamus directing the respondent authorities to restore the State Freedom Fighter Pension under the Swatantarta Sainik Samman Pension Scheme 1980 alongwith interest @ 12% per annum thereupon.

Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner contends that as per his information the arrear of pension have already been released after restoration of the pension to the petitioner, however, the interest on such delayed restoration/release of the pension has not been paid by the respondent No.2.

Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner contends that he would be satisfied in case the respondent No.2 is directed to look into the aspect of awarding and releasing the interest for the delayed payment of the pension by considering the present writ petition as a representation and pass a speaking order thereupon within a time bound manner. The aforesaid prayer of the petitioner is not objected to by the learned counsel representing the State.

In view thereof, the present writ petition is disposed of directing the respondent No.2 Deputy Secretary, Department of General Administration, Freedom Fighter Wing, Punjab Civil Secretariat, Sector-9, Chandigarh to look into the present petition and to pass a speaking order with respect to the payment of interest on the delayed release of the pension to the petitioner. The necessary order shall be passed within a period of 04 months from receipt of the certified copy of this order.

Needless to mention that any interest is found to be payable to the petitioner, the requisite payment shall be released to him within a period of 03 months thereafter.

(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

AUGUST 23, 2022

Vishal sharma

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