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

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Date of Decision: 12.05.2022

Bahadur Singh

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: Mr. Neeraj Sharma, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI J. (ORAL)

Learned counsel for the petitioner argues that the petitioner had retired on 24.10.2017, but his retiral benefits were released to him by the respondent-Department in February, 2020, i.e. after more than two years of his retirement, and hence keeping in view the settled principle of law laid down by the Full Bench of this Court while passing judgment in “**A.S. Randhawa Vs. State of Punjab and others**”, 1997(3) SCT 468, according to which, an employee who has not been released the pensionary benefits within a period of two months from superannuation, in case there is no impediment, becomes entitled for the grant of interest for the delay in releasing of the pensionary benefits, the petitioner is entitled for the grant of interest on the said delayed release of retiral benefits to him by the respondent-Department.

Learned counsel for the petitioner further submits that the same grievance has also been raised by the petitioner before respondent No.3 by

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pending consideration with the authorities concerned and the petitioner will be satisfied at this stage, in case a time bound direction is given to respondent No.3 to decide the said representation dated 28.03.2019, by passing an appropriate speaking order.

Notice of motion.

Ms. Anju Arora, Additional A.G., Punjab, keeping in view the advance service of copy of the petition, accepts notice on behalf of the State and raises no objection, in case prayer made hereinbefore on behalf of the petitioner for deciding the representation dated 28.03.2019 (Annexure P-1) in a time bound manner is accepted.

Keeping in view the facts and circumstances of this case and without going into merits of the claim as raised by the petitioner in the present case as well as in the representation dated 28.03.2019 (Annexure P-1), this petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondent No.3 to pass an appropriate speaking order on the representation dated 28.03.2019 (Annexure P-1), filed by the petitioner, within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of the copy of this order.

12.05.2022

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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

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