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

CWP-12040-2022

Date of Decision: 30.05.2022

Manjit Singh

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: Mr. Puneet Kumar Bansal, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI J. (ORAL)

Learned counsel for the petitioner argues that in the present case, the petitioner retired from the services of the respondent-Department on 31.10.2021, but his pensionary benefits were released to him by the respondents in installments and that too after a delay of stipulated period of two months from the date of his retirement, due to which fact the petitioner has become entitled for the grant of interest on the said delayed release of pensionary benefits to him by the respondents, hence the respondents are liable to be directed to release the said interest to the petitioner forthwith.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the same grievance has also been raised by the petitioner before the respondents by serving legal notice dated 04.05.2022 (Annexure P-1), which is still 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 legal notice dated 04.05.2022, by passing an appropriate

speaking order.

Notice of motion.

On the asking of the Court, Mr. Navdeep Chhabra, DAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the State and raises no objection, in case prayer made hereinbefore on behalf of the petitioner for deciding the legal notice dated 04.05.2022 (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 legal notice dated 04.05.2022 (Annexure P-1), this petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondent No.3 to pass an appropriate speaking order on the legal notice dated 04.05.2022 (Annexure P-1), filed by the petitioner, within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of the copy of this order.

30.05.2022*Apurva***(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE**

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