

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CWP No. 14899 of 2022 (O&M)
Date of Decision:14.07.2022

Sudesh Rani

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS.JUSTICE LISA GILL

Present: Mr.Virinder Kumar Shukla, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Ambika Bedi, AAG., Punjab.

LISA GILL, J(Oral).

Prayer in this writ petition is for a direction to the respondents to release the pensionary benefits to the petitioner i.e., pension, gratuity and leave encashment etc., on account of her retirement from service on 15.06.2021 along with interest at the rate of 12% per annum.

Petitioner is stated to have joined service as Steno-Typist in the Panchayat Samiti, Faridkot on 10.11.1981. It is further stated that petitioner, was thereafter promoted as Accountant on 04.09.2019 and Superintendent Grade-2 on 04.09.2019. Petitioner was allowed voluntary retirement w.e.f., 15.06.2021 vide order dated 04.06.2021. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that pension papers of the petitioner, complete in all respects, were submitted well within time, however only the final payment of G.P.Fund has been released and other pensionary benefits have not been released to the

petitioner without any rhyme or reason. Notice of demand dated 13.05.2022, Annexure P-3, is stated to have been served upon the respondents, but again to no avail.

At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioner restricts the prayer for a decision on notice of demand dated 13.05.2022 (Annexure P-3), in a time bound manner.

Notice of motion.

Ms. Ambika Bedi, AAG., Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of all the respondents. Advance copy of the writ petition stands served. Learned counsel for the State does not raise any serious objection to the restricted prayer addressed.

Keeping in view the limited prayer addressed, facts and circumstances of the case but without expressing any opinion on the merits thereof, this writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the competent authority, to decide legal notice dated 13.05.2022, Annexure P-3 filed by the petitioner by passing a speaking order, within three (03) months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order. Monetary benefits, if any, the petitioner is found entitled to be released within the next six weeks.

14.07.2022

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[LISA GILL]

Judge

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