

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CWP-16135-2022 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 27.07.2022

VIJAY KUMAR

..... Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANOTHER

..... Respondent(s)

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE LISA GILL

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

LISA GILL, J.

Petitioner in this writ petition seeks release of the leave encashment and certain other retiral benefits alongwith interest, which it is stated have been wrongly withheld.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner retired from the post of Sub-Divisional Engineer on 31.07.2018. After nearly one year of his retirement, amount of gratuity has been released, however, amount of leave encashment and interest on delayed gratuity has not been released till date without any rhyme or reason. It is submitted that in this respect legal notice dated 04.12.2021 (Annexure P-2) was also served but to no avail.

At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioner restricts his prayer for a decision on the legal notice dated 04.12.2021 (Annexure P-2), in a time bound manner.

Keeping in view the facts and circumstances of this case, but without any expression of opinion on the merits of the matter, this petition is disposed of with a direction to the competent authority to consider and decide petitioner's legal notice dated 04.12.2021 (Annexure P-2), in accordance with law, by passing a speaking order within a period of three months from receipt of certified copy of this order. In case, petitioner is found entitled to any monetary benefits, same be released within the next two months thereafter.

Petition is disposed of accordingly.

27.07.2022

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**(LISA GILL)
JUDGE**

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