

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

Sr. No.111

CWP No.16384 of 2022

Date of Decision: 29.07.2022

Naresh Kumar

.... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana and others

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: Mr. Kanhiya Soni, Advocate
for the petitioner.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI, J. (ORAL)

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner retired on attaining the age of superannuation on 31.05.2015, but due to pendency of a chargesheet, his pensionary benefits were withheld but later on, the said chargesheet was dropped by the respondent department. Learned counsel submits that keeping in view the said fact, the delay in release of the pensionary benefits is attributable to the respondents and the question of law raised in the present petition is squarely covered in the order dated 09.03.2022 passed in **CWP No.21548 of 2018** titled as **Bal Singh Sharma versus State of Haryana and others** and hence, the respondents are liable to be directed to grant the interest on the delayed release of pensionary benefits.

Learned counsel submits that the grievance with regard to the claim of interest has already been raised by the petitioner in the legal notice dated 15.03.2020 (Annexure P-6), which is still pending consideration with the respondents and the petitioner will be satisfied if respondent No.1 is

directed to decide the same in a time bound manner by passing an appropriate speaking order.

Notice of motion.

Dr. Kiranpal Singh, Assistant Advocate General, Haryana. accepts notice on behalf of the respondents and raises no objection with regard to deciding the legal notice dated 15.03.2020 (Annexure P-6) in a time bound manner by passing a speaking order.

Without going into the merits of the case, the present petition is disposed of with direction to respondent No.2 to decide the legal notice dated 15.03.2020 (Annexure P-6) by passing an appropriate speaking order within a period of 8 weeks from the receipt of this order and in case, after passing the speaking order, the petitioner is found entitled for any relief, the same be also extended to him within a period of 4 weeks thereafter.

(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

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