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

CWP-17074-2022

Date of Decision: 04.08.2022

Suraj Bhan

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: Mr. Ganesh Kumar Sharma, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI J. (ORAL)

Learned counsel for the petitioner argues that the petitioner is a retired employee, who got retired from the services in the year 2002, and at that time, his wife was alive, therefore, she was nominated as beneficiary for the grant of family pension in respect of the services rendered by the petitioner, but his wife expired on 27.05.2021. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that husband of the married daughter of the petitioner unfortunately died on 21.05.2021, hence the petitioner made a request to the authorities concerned that the widow-daughter of the petitioner be nominated as beneficiary for the grant of family pension, keeping in view the circular dated 01.01.2014, issued by the Haryana Government, a copy of which has been appended as Annexure P-5 to the present petition.

Learned counsel for the petitioner further submits that the same grievance has also been raised by the petitioner before the respondents by serving upon them legal notice dated 28.11.2021 (Annexure P-7), 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.2 to decide the legal notice dated 28.11.2021, by passing an appropriate speaking order.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Harish Nain, AAG, Haryana, keeping in view the advance service of the copy of 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 legal notice dated 28.11.2021 (Annexure P-7) 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 28.11.2021 (Annexure P-7), this petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondent No.2 to pass an appropriate speaking order on the legal notice dated 28.11.2021 (Annexure P-7), filed by the petitioner, within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of the copy of this order.

04.08.2022*Apurva***(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)****JUDGE**

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