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

CWP-17216-2022

Date of Decision: 05.08.2022

BHUPINDER SINGH AND ORS

.... Petitioners

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

.... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present:- Mr. Jasbir Singh Mohri, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

JAISHREE THAKUR.J (Oral)

Prayer in this writ petition filed under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India is for issuance of appropriate writ, order or direction especially a writ in the nature of Mandamus directing the respondents to release the amount of Contributory Provident Fund along with interest accrued thereon, as the same relief has already been given to the similarly situated persons vide order dated 14.01.2019 passed in CWP No.29907 of 2018 (Annexure P-4) and order dated 30.01.2020 passed in CWP No.2503 of 2020 (Annexure P-5).

Counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioners would submit that for redressal of their grievance, the petitioners have already served a legal notice dated 28.03.2022 (Annexure P-6) upon the respondents, which has not been decided yet. He would pray that at this stage, the petitioners would be satisfied in case said legal notice is decided in a time bound manner keeping

in view the orders passed by this Court in CWP No.29907 of 2018 (Annexure P-4) and CWP No.2503 of 2020 (Annexure P-5).

Notice of motion.

At this stage, Ms. Deepali Puri, Additional Advocate General, Punjab, who is present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents and would submit that the respondents will look into the matter and will take a decision on the legal notice of the petitioners.

Let sufficient number of copies of the complete paper book be supplied to her during the course of day.

In view of the above, the present petition is disposed of by directing the respondents to take a decision on the legal notice dated 28.03.2022 (Annexure P-6) of the petitioners keeping in view the orders passed by this Court in CWP No.29907 of 2018, decided on 14.01.2019 (Annexure P-4) and CWP No.2503 of 2020, decided on 30.01.2020 (Annexure P-5), within a period of six months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order, in accordance with law, and convey the decision to the petitioners. In case of failure to do so, the officer responsible for the lapse would be liable to costs of Rs.20,000/- from his personal pocket, to be deposited with the Punjab and Haryana High Court Advocates Welfare Fund.

05.08.2022
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(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No
Whether Reportable: Yes/No