

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

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CWP No.20192 of 2022

Date of decision : 07.09.2022

Gulzar Singh

....Petitioner

V/s

The State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS SURI

Present: Mr. D.R. Parihar, Advocate for the petitioner.

VIKAS SURI, J. (Oral)

The petitioner seeks through this petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India direction to decide the justice demand notices and release the due pensionary/other terminal benefits.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner after attaining the age of superannuation, retired on 31.05.2022. It is submitted that the terminal benefits including pension of the petitioner has not been released. The petitioner has also served a justice demand notice dated 25.07.2022 (Annexure P-4), which was followed by a reminder dated 26.08.2022 (Annexure P-5). However, the authorities have neither released the aforesaid terminal benefits nor responded to the justice demand notice and the petitioner is facing undue hardship.

At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioner restricts his prayer for a decision, on the justice demand notice dated 25.07.2022 (Annexure P-4) and reminder thereto (Annexure P-5), by passing a speaking order in a time bound manner.

Notice of motion to that limited extent.

Ms. Ambika Bedi, AAG Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent No.1 and waives service. Advance copy of the writ petition stands supplied. She does not raise any serious objection to the restricted prayer made, seeking a decision on the justice demand notice, in a time bound manner.

As the petition is not being disposed of on merits, therefore, service upon respondent Nos.2 and 3, at this stage, is dispensed with.

Keeping in view the limited prayer made, the peculiar facts and circumstances of the case and without going into the merits of the case or the claim being made by the petitioner in the present petition or in the justice demand notice, the competent authority is directed to look into the grievance raised in the justice demand notice dated 25.07.2022 (Annexure P-4) and reminder dated 26.08.2022 (Annexure P-5) and take a decision thereon in accordance with law, by passing a speaking order within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

Needless to observe that in case, after the decision, petitioner is found entitled for any benefits, the same be also extended to him within a period of four weeks thereafter, as per law.

The petition stands disposed of in the aforesaid terms.

(VIKAS SURJ)
JUDGE

September 07, 2022
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Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether reportable:

Yes/No