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

CWP-27330-2022

Date of Decision: 30.11.2022

RANJIT SINGH

.... Petitioner

Versus

PUNJAB STATE POWER CORPORATION LIMITED AND ORS.

.... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present:- Ms. Sonia G. Singh, Advocate, for the petitioner.

JAISHREE THAKUR.J (Oral)

This is a petition that has been filed under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to grant 23 years promotional increment benefit as per finance circular No.17/90, dated 23.04.1990 (Annexure P-1); finance circular No.52/99, dated 09.11.1999 (Annexure P-2) and finance circular No.20/2000, dated 28.07.2000 (Annexure P-3). Prayer has also been made to re-fix the pension/pay of the petitioner after grant of 23 years promotional increment.

Counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner would contend that in this regard, the petitioner has already served a legal notice dated 07.06.2022 (Annexure P-8) upon the respondents, but till date, no decision has been taken thereon. She would submit that at this stage, the petitioner would be satisfied in case his legal notice is decided, in accordance with law, in a time bound manner.

Notice of motion.

At this stage, Mr. Avneet Singh, Advocate, who is present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents.

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

Without commenting on merits of the case and keeping in view the limited prayer made by counsel for the petitioner, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondents to decide legal notice dated 07.06.2022 (Annexure P-8) of the petitioner, within a period of three months, from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order, in accordance with law and convey the decision to the petitioner. 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.

(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE

30.11.2022

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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether Reportable: Yes/No