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

CWP-29539-2022

Date of Decision: 21.12.2022

AFTAB SINGH BHATIA

.... Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

.... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present:- Mr. Rajvir Singh Sihag, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

JAISHREE THAKUR.J (Oral)

The petitioner herein seeks a writ in the nature of mandamus directing respondents to pay his entire provident fund dues along with interest from the date of his appointment till the date of retirement, especially the deductions made from his salary during the period from 2010-11 till his retirement on 28.02.2019.

At the very outset, counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner would submit that at this stage, the petitioner would be satisfied in case his letter/representation dated 11.11.2022, Annexure P-1, submitted before respondent No.3, is decided in a time bound manner, in accordance with law.

Notice of motion.

Ms. Deepali Puri, Additional Advocate General, Punjab, who is present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents.

Let sufficient number of copies of complete paper book be supplied to her 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 respondent No.3 to decide letter/representation dated 11.11.2022, Annexure P-1 of the petitioner within a period of two 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.

In case it is found that the petitioner herein is found entitled to the amount as claimed, the same be released to him expeditiously within a period of two months thereafter, failing which, the said amount will carry interest @ 6% per annum till the amount stands realized.

(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE

21.12.2022

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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether Reportable: Yes/No