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

**CWP No.3103 of 2023(O&M)
Date of Decision: 15.02.2023**

Jora Singh

.....Petitioner

Vs

State of Haryana and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJ MOHAN SINGH

Present: Mr. Ashok Kumar Sharma Bhana, Advocate
for the petitioner.

RAJ MOHAN SINGH, J.(Oral)

[1]. The petitioner has preferred this writ petition for the issuance of an appropriate writ in the nature of mandamus, directing the respondents to grant DA of five increments as per policy and to count the increments for the purpose of retiral benefits and to grant consequential service benefits with interest.

[2]. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner had participated in various National Yoga Championships on various occasions and got excellent achievements. As per policy, five increments were required to be awarded to the petitioner. The petitioner was awarded three increments vide order dated 21.08.1995 by the respondent

No.3. Those increments were w.e.f. 01.11.1991, 01.01.1995 and 01.07.1995. As per policy, the petitioner was awarded two increments vide order dated 26.09.1999 passed by the respondent No.3 and the fourth increment was granted w.e.f. 01.01.1997. The last fifth increment was awarded w.e.f. 01.01.1998.

[3]. The grievance of the petitioner is that despite the grant of aforesaid increments, the same have not been credited towards retiral benefits, for which, the petitioner has already represented to the competent authority on 17.10.2022.

[4]. At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that *de hors* the plea of delay and latches, the petitioner would be satisfied in case, his legal notice dated 17.10.2022 is ordered to be considered and decided by the competent authority in accordance with law in a time bound manner.

[5]. Notice of motion.

[6]. On the asking of the Court, Ms. Palika Monga, D.A.G., Haryana accepts notice on behalf of the State.

[7]. At this stage, without meaning anything on the merits of the case, it would be appropriate to direct the respondents No.2 and 3 to take note of the pending legal notice of the petitioner and decide the same in accordance with law without being

influenced by any statement of fact made hereinabove. Let the needful be done within a period of two months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

[8]. Disposed of accordingly.

15.02.2023	(RAJ MOHAN SINGH)
Prince	JUDGE
Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No