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

CWP-9899-2023

Date of Decision: 08.05.2023

KRISHAN LAL

.... Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA AND OTHERS

.... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present:- Mr. Rekhansh Rampal Sharma, Advocate, for the petitioner.

JAISHREE THAKUR.J (Oral)

1. The petitioner herein seeks a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to set up his at par with his junior Ashok Chawla, with a further prayer to re-fix his pension and release the consequential benefits accordingly.

2. At the very outset, counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner would submit that for his grievance, the petitioner has approached the respondent department number of times, but to no avail. He has even served a legal notice dated 02.02.2021 Annexure P-8, but that too has not been decided as yet. Counsel would submit that at this stage, the petitioner would be satisfied in case the said legal notice is decided in a time bound manner, in accordance with law.

3. Notice of motion.

4. At this stage, Mr. Anant Kataria, DAG, Haryana, who is present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents.

5. Let adequate number of copies of the writ petition be furnished to the counsel appearing on behalf of the respondents during the course of the day.

6. 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 02.02.2021 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

08.05.2023

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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether Reportable: Yes/No