

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

CWP-12082-2019

DECIDED ON: 09.08.2023

MADAN LAL SIHAG

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

HARYANA STATE AGRICULTURAL MARKETING BOARD

.....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANDEEP MOUDGIL

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

Mr. R.S. Budhwar, Advocate
for the respondent.

SANDEEP MOUDGIL, J (ORAL)

1. The jurisdiction of this Court under Articles 226 and 227 of the Constitution of India has been invoked for directing the respondent to make payment of death-cum-retirement gratuity amounting to Rs.10,50,000/- and fixing regular pension of the petitioner, who has retired from services on 31.12.2016 after attaining the age of superannuation.

2. Mr. R.S. Budhwar, learned counsel appearing on behalf of respondent submits that as per Haryana State Agricultural Marketing Board Service Rules, 1974, after conducting a departmental inquiry, a charge-sheet has been issued to the petitioner, which has now been dropped and he has been exonerated. Thereafter, the amount due to him on account of death-cum-retirement gratuity along-with regular pension has been released on 05.03.2020. He further submits that as far as the interest part is concerned, after consideration, the interest @ 7.1 per annum has been sanctioned for the period it became due till the date of its actual realization i.e.

3. In the light of the afore-said statement made by learned counsel for respondent, it is expected that the interest accrued to the petitioner shall be released to him within a period of one month from today.
4. In view of above, nothing survives in the present petition and the same is disposed off, as having been rendered infructuous.
5. However, it is made clear that in case the counsel for the respondent is not adhered to the statement made by him before this Court today, the petitioner is at liberty to file an appropriate application for the revival of the present petition.

09.08.2023
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(SANDEEP MOUDGIL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No
Whether reportable : Yes/No