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

CWP-22204-2016

Date of decision : 13.03.2023

Harjeet Sandhu

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PANKAJ JAIN

Present: Mr. P.K. Ganga, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. I.P.S. Kang, A.A.G., Punjab.

Ms. Neha Jain, Advocate
for respondent Nos.3 & 4.

Mr. H.S. Jugait, Advocate
for respondent No.5.

PANKAJ JAIN, J. (ORAL)

Present writ petition has been filed seeking writ in the nature of mandamus for directing the respondents for counting the services rendered by the petitioner w.e.f. 31.10.1983 till 31.12.2003 under the Punjab Government, being appointed with respondent No.3.

Learned counsels are *ad idem* that so far as the primary grievance and the release of terminal benefits of the petitioner is concerned, the same has been released. The issue remains with respect to interest on the delayed payment.

Admittedly, the petitioner retired on 31.03.2016 and the dues have been released in the year 2022. The petitioner would be, thus, entitled for interest on such delayed payment beyond 30.09.2016.

Resultantly, respondent Nos.1 and 2 are directed to release the interest amount to the petitioner on delayed payments after calculating the same from the period commencing from 01.10.2016 till the date of actual release, by applying rate of interest @ 6% per annum.

Present petition stands disposed of.

13.03.2023
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(PANKAJ JAIN)
JUDGE

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