

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

(108)**CWP No.25792 of 2019 (O&M)****Date of Decision: 04.07.2023**

Rohtash and others

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Haryana and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARKESH MANUJA

Present: Mr. S. K. Yadav, Advocate, for the petitioners.

Mr. Shivendra Swaroop, DAG, Haryana.

HARKESH MANUJA, J.(ORAL)**CM No.3931 of 2023**

This is an application under Section 151 CPC for pre-poning the date from 23.09.2023 to some early date.

In view of the averments made in the application, prayer is allowed and main case is taken up on board, today itself.

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By way of present writ petition, prayer has been made for issuance of directions to the respondents to pay the annuity to the petitioners/land owners relating to their land acquired for Rohtak-Jhajjar-Rewari, new Railway line in village Bikaner, Tehsil and District Rewari.

(2) Learned counsel for the petitioners very fairly submits that post filing of the present writ petition, the petitioners have already been released the arrears of annuity as per their entitlement, however, no interest for the delayed payment has been granted to them. Referring to an order dated 16.05.2019 (Annexure P-12) passed by the Additional Chief Secretary to the Government of Haryana Public Works (B&R) & Architecture Department Chandigarh, learned counsel for the petitioners submits that interest @ 7% has

situated land owners whereas the payment of interest to the petitioners has been kept in abeyance on account of pendency of the present writ petition. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that as regards the payment of interest on the delayed annuity to the petitioners, a representation dated 27.09.2021 is pending consideration with the respondents/authorities.

(3) To this, Mr. Shivendra Swaroop, DAG, Haryana, very fairly submits that the aforesaid representation pertaining to the claim of interest on the delayed release of annuity shall be considered and decided at the earliest, keeping in view the aforementioned order dated 16.05.2019 (Annexure P-12).

(4) I have heard learned counsel for the parties and gone through the paper book.

(5) In view of the aforesaid stand taken by the learned State counsel, respondent No.2 is requested to consider and decide the representation dated 27.09.2021, submitted by the petitioners regarding payment of interest on the delayed release of annuity benefit to them, particularly considering the previous order dated 16.05.2019/28.05.2019 passed in favour of other land owners pertaining to **CWP No.33095 of 2018 titled as Sanjay and others Vs. State of Haryana and others.** The aforesaid exercise may be completed within a period of two months from today and in case the petitioners are found entitled for the benefit of interest, the same be disbursed in their favour within a period of 4 weeks thereafter.

The present writ petition is disposed of accordingly.

(HARKESH MANUJA)
JUDGE

04.07.2023

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