

CWP-17750-2023
Date of decision: 17.08.2023

State of Punjab and others **...Respondents**

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK MANCHANDA

DEEPAK MANCHANDA J. (ORAL)

The instant petition has been filed under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India for issuance of writ in the nature of mandamus, directing the respondents to grant interest on the delayed payment of service benefit at the earliest @ 18% per annum.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has submitted representations dated 03.04.2023 (Annexure P-1) and 04.05.2023 (Annexure P-2) to the respondent No.3 but the same have not been taken into consideration till date and the petitioner would be satisfied if necessary directions are given for deciding the representation in a time bound manner.

Notice of motion.

On asking of the Court, Mr. Arun Gupta, AAG Punjab, who is present in the Court, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 and 2. Mr. Sanjeev Soni, Advocate, who is also present in the Court, accepts notice on behalf of respondent No.3 and they do not object to the prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioner.

After going through the contents of the representations, the representations seem to be vague, wherein no specific detail has been mentioned.

Faced with this, learned counsel for the petitioner prays that the present writ petition be treated as representation.

Prayer is allowed and the present writ petition is disposed of without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case or the claim being made by the petitioner in the representations dated 03.04.2023 (Annexure P-1) and 04.05.2023 (Annexure P-2), respondent No.3 is directed to treat the petition as a representation and decide the aforesaid representations, by passing a speaking order within a period of 8 weeks from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order with a further direction that if the petitioner is found to be entitled to the claim as mentioned in the present petition then, necessary disbursement of funds shall be made to him within a period of 8 weeks thereafter.

The petition stands disposed of and the present writ petition be treated as representation.

17.08.2023
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(DEEPAK MANCHANDA)
JUDGE

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