

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

Sr. No.126

CWP-17910-2023

Date of Decision: 23.08.2023

Rajender Kumar Sikka**.... Petitioner****Versus****State of Haryana and anr.****... Respondents****CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA**

Present: Ms. Gunjan Mehta, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. R.S. Bhudwar, Additional, A.G. Haryana.

TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA, J. (ORAL)

1. The present petition has been filed in the nature of *mandamus* directing the respondents to grant interest @ 9% p.a. on the amount of interest on delayed release of retrial benefits to the petitioner as held in judgment dated 01.05.2023 (Annexure P-1) passed in RSA No. 2163 of 2022.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is entitled to interest for the delayed payment of retrial benefits over and above the amount which has been granted by this Court in RSA No. 2163 of 2022 in the light of judgment passed by this Court in *CWP No. 5520 of 2003 titled as S.P. Sood vs. State of Haryana and others* Before filing the petition, the petitioner could not raise such demand before the respondents, therefore, he may be permitted to do so now.

3. Notice of motion.

4. Mr. R.S. Bhudwar, Additional, A.G. Haryana, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents. He further submits that in case any such demand is raised by the petitioner, the same shall be considered and decided in accordance with law.

5. In view thereof, without going into the merits of the case, the petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2-Engineer-in-Chief Irrigation & Water Resources Department, Haryana, to consider and decide the representation, if any, submitted by the petitioner by passing, a speaking order thereupon, within a period of eight weeks from the date of receiving the same.

(TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA)
JUDGE

23.08.2023

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