

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

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CWP-19424-2023

Date of decision: 02.11.2023

GURDIAL CHAND

...Petitioner

VERSUS

PUNJAB STATE POWER CORPORATION LIMITED AND OTHERS

...Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK MANCHANDA

Present: Mr. Jagdish Singh Mahal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Gagandeep Kaur, Advocate
for the respondents.

DEEPAK MANCHANDA, J.(ORAL)

The instant petition has been filed under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus, directing the respondents to release the complete pension, gratuity and other retiral benefits along with arrears thereof on the basis of revised pay scale along with interest @ 12% per annum on account of delayed payment, which have been withheld wrongly and illegally by the respondents despite having been approached a number of times by the petitioner vide representation dated 20.01.2023 (Annexure P-1).

Reply dated 30.10.2023 by way of short affidavit on behalf of the respondents has been filed in the Court today, the same is taken on record. Copy thereof has been supplied to the counsel opposite. Learned counsel for the respondents submits that the requisite formalities has not

been completed by the petitioner for releasing the retiral benefits and the said fact has also been mentioned in the reply.

Learned counsel for the petitioner on instructions undertakes to complete the requisite formalities within a period of 02 weeks.

In view of the above, since the retiral benefits could not be released on account of completion of requisite formalities and there is no denial to the claim of the petitioner, in case the petitioner completes the entire formalities which were required to be completed in accordance with rules, the respondents are directed to release the retiral benefits to the petitioner within a period of 04 weeks thereafter.

In view of the above, the present petition is disposed of.

November 02, 2023

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**(DEEPAK MANCHANDA)
JUDGE**

*Whether reasoned/speaking?
Whether reportable?*

*Yes/No
Yes/No*