

106 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CWP No.23181 of 2022 (O&M)

Date of decision : 15.02.2023

Gurpreet Kaur

..... Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab & ors.

..... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE PANKAJ JAIN

Present :- Mr. Pranav Handa, Advocate for the petitioner.

PANKAJ JAIN, J. (ORAL)

This is a petition filed seeking arrears of salary pertaining to the period the petitioner was on maternity leave.

In support of his contention, learned counsel for the petitioner relies upon the provisions of *The Maternity Benefit Act, 1961*, as amended upto date. He submits that the request for release of service benefits by the petitioner is already pending consideration of respondent No.4. No decision has been taken as yet.

Keeping in view innocuous prayer made in the present petition, the same is disposed off with a direction to respondent No.4 to decide the representation made by the petitioner within a period of 8 weeks.

The petitioner is granted liberty to supplement the representation or to furnish fresh representation within a period of 2 weeks from today. The same be decided within a period of 8 weeks thereafter. In case the petitioner is found entitled, her claim be released within a period of 4 weeks thereafter. In case, the respondents feel that petitioner is not entitled for the same he shall pass a speaking order.

Petition stands disposed off.

(PANKAJ JAIN)
JUDGE

15.02.2023

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Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether Reportable :

Yes
No