

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

(119)

CWP-20652-2023

Date of Decision : September 18, 2023

Amar Chand Kaushik

.. Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana and others

.. Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: None for the parties.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI J. (ORAL)

1. Present petition has been filed by the petitioner seeking the grant of interest on the delayed release of the pensionary benefits.
2. As per the averments made in the petition, the petitioner retired from service on attaining the age of superannuation on 30.11.2019 whereas, the pensionary benefits were released to him much after a period of two months and that too without there being any impediment, hence, the petitioner is entitled for the grant of interest as per the settled principle of law settled by the Full Bench of this Court in *A.S. Randhawa Vs. State of Punjab and others, 1997(3) SCT 468*.
3. Next prayer of the petitioner is that the respondents be directed to decide his representation dated 18.04.2023 (Annexure P-7) in a time bound manner.

4. Keeping in view the facts noticed above, it is clear that the claim of the petitioner is pending consideration with the respondents and interest of justice will be served in case a direction is issued to the respondents to decide the representation of the petitioner dated 18.04.2023 (Annexure P-7) in a time bound manner.

5. Without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case or the claim being made by the petitioner, respondents are directed to decide the representation of the petitioner dated 18.04.2023 (Annexure P-7) within a period of eight weeks by passing an appropriate speaking order from the receipt of copy of this order and in case after the passing of the speaking order, any benefit is to be extended to the petitioner, the same be also extended to him within a further period of four weeks.

6. The present writ petition is disposed of in above terms.

7. In case the claim of the petitioner is to be rejected, reasons be mentioned in the speaking order.

September 18, 2023

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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)

JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No