

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

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CWP-23905-2023

Date of decision: 19.10.2023

AMARJEET SINGH**.....Petitioner****VERSUS****STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS****.....Respondents****CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK MANCHANDA**

Present: Mr. Abhay Gupta, Advocate
for the petitioner.

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 amount of enhanced salary, enhanced gratuity, revised pension as well as arrears of revised pension and all other consequential benefits including medical allowance along with interest @ 18 % per annum.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner had retired from the post of Sweeper from the office of Municipal Council, Bhuchio Mandi-respondent No.3 on 30.04.2019 after attaining the age of superannuation. He submits that when the petitioner got retired, he was entitled to receive the amount of enhanced salary, enhanced gratuity, revised pension as well as arrears of revised pension but the same had not been released to him and remaining dues had been withheld by the respondent-department without giving any justifiable reasons. Learned counsel further submits that petitioner has served a legal notice dated 29.08.2023 (Annexure P-2) to the respondents, which has not been taken into consideration till date and the petitioner would be satisfied if necessary

Directions are given for deciding the legal notice 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 the respondents No.1 & 2 and submits that the respondent No.3 is the competent authority to take final decision. On the asking of the Court, Mr. Sanjeev Soni, Advocate, accepts notice on behalf of respondent No.3 and they do not object to the prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioner.

In view of the pleadings in the present petition, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case or the claim being made by the petitioner in the legal notice dated 29.08.2023 (Annexure P-2), respondent No.3 is directed to decide the legal notice, 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 mentioned in the abovesaid legal notice, necessary disbursement of funds shall be made to him within a period of 8 weeks thereafter.

The petition stands disposed of.

October 19, 2023
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(DEEPAK MANCHANDA)
JUDGE

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