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

CWP-24580-2023

Date of Decision: 16.11.2023

DHANISH KUMAR

..... Petitioner

Versus

UNION OF INDIA AND OTHERS

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAGMOHAN BANSAL

Present : Mr. Ujwal Anand, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. N.K. Vashisht, Senior Panel Counsel
for the respondents- UOI.

JAGMOHAN BANSAL, J. (Oral)

1. On 07.11.2023, the following order was passed:

“Learned counsel for the petitioner relying upon office memorandum dated 03.03.2023 issued by Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions submits that employees were given one time option to opt for Old Pension Scheme by 31.08.2023. The petitioner was entitled for benefit, however, he was not informed of the office memorandum, thus, he could not avail the benefit by 31.08.2023.

From the perusal of paragraph 4 of memorandum, it prima facie appears that there was no requirement on the part of respondents to send notice of the Scheme to each and every employee.

Faced with this, learned counsel for the petitioner seeks a short accommodation to cite judicial pronouncement on the issue.

Adjourned to 16.11.2023.”

2. Learned counsel for the respondents- UOI on instructions from Sh. Lalit submits that aforestated last date i.e. 31.08.2023 has been extended till 30.11.2023 and petitioner can apply for the benefit on or before 30.11.2023.
3. In the wake of statement of learned counsel for the respondents-UOI, the present petition stands disposed of.
4. The disposal of the present petition shall not be construed as opinion of this Court on the question of disability pension of the petitioner. The respondents are at liberty to consider claim of the petitioner *qua* disability pension.

(JAGMOHAN BANSAL)
JUDGE

16.11.2023
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
<i>Whether Reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>