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

CWP-29055-2023

Date of decision: 22.12.2023

Jagdev Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

The Punjab State Power Corporation Limited and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS BAHL

Present: Ms. Inayat Khullar, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. H. S. Baidwan, Advocate
for the respondent-PSPCL.

VIKAS BAHL, J. (ORAL)

1. This is a Civil Writ Petition filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to step-up the pension of the petitioner equal to the one being drawn/paid to his junior.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that for the grievances raised by the petitioner in the present writ petition, the petitioner had given Legal Notice dated 06.02.2023 (Annexure P-3) to competent authority of respondent No. 1-PSPCL and he would be satisfied at this stage, in case, the said competent authority of respondent No. 1-Corporation is directed to consider the said Legal Notice dated 06.02.2023 (Annexure P-3) in a time bound manner and in case, the pleas raised by the petitioner are found to be meritorious then to grant necessary relief in accordance with law.

3. Learned Counsel for the respondent No. 1-PSPCL has submitted that competent authority of respondent No. 1- PSPCL would consider the said

Legal Notice dated 06.02.2023 (Annexure P-3) in accordance with law, as expeditiously as possible preferably within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of certified copy of the present order.

4. Keeping in view the abovesaid facts and circumstances, the present Civil Writ Petition is disposed of with direction to competent authority of respondent No. 1- PSPCL to consider the Legal Notice dated 06.02.2023 (Annexure P-3) in accordance with law within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of certified copy of the present order and in case, the pleas raised by the petitioner are found to be meritorious then competent authority of respondent No. 1- PSPCL would grant necessary relief, in accordance with law and in case, competent authority of respondent No. 1- PSPCL is of the opinion that the pleas raised by the petitioner are not meritorious then a speaking order rejecting the same be passed within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of certified copy of the present order.

5. This Court has not opined on the merits of the case and competent authority of respondent No. 1- PSPCL would consider the case of the petitioner independently, in accordance with law.

22.12.2023

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**(VIKAS BAHL)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned:-

Yes/No

Whether reportable:-

Yes/No