

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

(114)

CWP No. 429 of 2024
Date of Decision : 10.01.2024

Dr. Dharam Pal Malik

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: Mr. Sube Singh Kaushik, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Harish Nain, Assistant Advocate General, Haryana.

Harsimran Singh Sethi J. (Oral)

1. In the present petition, the grievance of the petitioner is that despite the fact that petitioner had retired and became entitled for the release of pension benefits as well as the salary for a period of six days, the same were not released, in view of the judgment of the Full Bench of this Court in **A.S. Randhawa Vs. State of Punjab and others, 1997(3) SCT 468**, wherein, two months' time has been fixed for the release of the pensionary benefits, failing which the employee becomes entitled for interest, hence, petitioner is also entitled for interest on the delayed release of the pensionary benefits.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the other prayers made in the present petition are not being pressed.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the grievance raised in the present petition qua the grant of interest has already been raised through the representation dated 27.07.2023 (Annexure P-16) but the same is still pending consideration with the respondents and the petitioner will be satisfied, at this stage, in case a direction is issued to the respondents to decide the same by passing an appropriate speaking order in a time bound manner.

4. Notice of motion.

5. On the asking of the Court, Mr. Harish Nain, learned Assistant Advocate General, Haryana, who is present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State and submits that in case, the representation dated 27.07.2023 (Annexure P-16) has been received in the office of the concerned authorities and the same is still pending consideration with the authorities concerned, the same will be decided by the competent authority within a period of eight weeks of the receipt of certified copy of this order by passing an appropriate speaking order.

6. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that keeping in view the statement of learned State counsel, the present petition may kindly be disposed of having been not pressed any further.

7. Ordered accordingly.

January 10th, 2024
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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No