

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

CWP-2202 of 2024

Date of decision: 02.02.2024

Mohan Lal and others

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAMIT KUMAR**

Present: - Mr. Nitesh Singla, Advocate,  
for the petitioners.

Ms. Niharika Sharma, AAG, Punjab.

**NAMIT KUMAR, J.**

1. Present petition has been filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India praying for issuance of writ in the nature of *mandamus* directing the respondent-department to revise the pension of the petitioners by taking dearness allowance @ 119% on the basic pension as on 31.12.2015 instead of dearness allowance @ 113% on the basic pension as on 31.12.2015 in view of letter dated 24.05.2023 (Annexure P-5)

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners at the outset confines his prayer for deciding legal notice dated 28.08.2023 (Annexure P-9). He submits that at this stage, petitioners would be satisfied, if the said legal notice is decided by passing a speaking order within a time-bound frame.

3. Notice of motion.

4. Ms. Niharika Sharma, AAG, Punjab, who is present in Court accepts notice on behalf of the respondents.
5. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and have gone through the record of the case.
6. Without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case or the claim being made by the petitioner in the present petition, respondent No.3-Director, Local Government, Punjab, is directed to consider and decide the claim made by the petitioners in the legal notice dated 28.08.2023 (Annexure P-9) in accordance with law, by passing a speaking order within a period of three months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order. In case, the petitioners are found entitled, necessary benefits be released within a period of three weeks thereafter.
7. The petition stands disposed of.

02.02.2024  
R.S.

(NAMIT KUMAR)  
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether Reportable : Yes/No