

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

CWP-3453 of 2024

Date of decision: 16.02.2024

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.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

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

Present: - Mr. H.S. Dhindsa, Advocate,  
for the petitioner.

Mr. Rajesh Sehgal, Addl. A.G., Punjab.

**NAMIT KUMAR, J. (ORAL)**

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 respondents to release the retiral benefits in the shape of gratuity, provident fund, leave encashment, group insurance scheme etc. of the petitioner along with interest @ 12%, who retired on 31.03.2023.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner at the outset confines his prayer for deciding legal notice dated 10.11.2023 (Annexure P-4). He submits that at this stage, petitioner would be satisfied, if the said legal notice is decided by passing a speaking order in view of the orders (Annexures P-5 to P-7) passed by this Court, within a time-bound frame.

3. Notice of motion.

4.           Mr. Rajesh Sehgal, Addl. A.G., 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.4-Competent Authority is directed to consider and decide the claim made by the petitioner in the legal notice dated 10.11.2023 (Annexure P-4) in accordance with law, by passing a speaking order within a period of two months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order, in view of orders (Annexures P-5 to P-7) passed by this Court. In case, the petitioner is found entitled, necessary benefits be released within a period of three weeks thereafter.
7.           The petition stands disposed of.

16.02.2024  
R.S.

(NAMIT KUMAR)  
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned       :     Yes/No

Whether Reportable                :     Yes/No