

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

CWP-5446 of 2024

Date of decision: 07.03.2024

Surjit Kaur

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAMIT KUMAR

Present: - Mr. Puneet Sharma, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

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

NAMIT KUMAR, J. (ORAL)

1. Petitioner, who is stated to be widow of Sh. Bhupinder Singh, who was working as Clerk in the Co-operative Department and died on 26.08.2022, has approached this Court claiming the benefit of family pension, death-cum-retirement gratuity, leave encashment, General Provident Fund and other retiral benefits, including arrears of revised scale w.e.f. 01.01.2016, along with interest. Apart from the petitioner, there is another claimant, namely, Sh. Sukhjinder Singh (respondent No.6), who is stated to be son of the deceased employee from the first marriage.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner has already submitted detailed representation dated 16.06.2023 (Annexure P-9) and the same may be considered by respondent No.2 in a time-bound manner.

3. Notice of motion to respondents No.1 to 5 only.

4. Mr. Rajesh Sehgal, Addl. A.G., Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 5 and has no objection to the innocuous prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioner.
5. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the record.
6. In view of the above, without commenting on the merits of the case, present petition is disposed of with direction to respondent No.2, to consider and take final decision on the representation dated 16.06.2023 (Annexure P-9), after affording an opportunity of hearing to the petitioner and respondent No.6-Sukhjinder Singh, within a period of three months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order. In case, petitioner and/or respondent No.6 are found entitled, necessary benefits be released accordingly, within a period of three weeks thereafter.

07.03.2024
R.S.

(NAMIT KUMAR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether Reportable : Yes/No