

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

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CWP No.9063 of 2024 (O&M)
Date of decision: 24.04.2024

Ram Avtar

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAMIT KUMAR

Present: Mr. Ashwarya Bajaj, Advocate
for the petitioner.

NAMIT KUMAR J. (Oral)

1. Prayer in this writ petition filed by the petitioner under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India, is for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus, directing the respondents to release the retiral benefits as well as service dues i.e. Gratuity, Leave Encashment and all other benefits of the petitioner along with interest @ 18%.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner, at the very outset, confines his prayer for deciding representation dated 24.05.2023 (Annexure P-4). He submits that at this stage, petitioner would be satisfied, if the said representation is decided by passing a speaking order within a time bound frame.
4. Notice of motion.
5. Mr. Teevar Sharma, AAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondents and has no objection to the innocuous prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioner.

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6. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and have gone through the record of the case.
7. Keeping in view the limited prayer addressed at the time of arguments, facts and circumstances of the case but without expressing any opinion on the merits of the controversy, this writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the competent authority – respondent No.2 to expeditiously decide representation dated 24.05.2023 (Annexure P-4), submitted by the petitioner by passing a speaking order, preferably within a period of 03 months from receipt of certified copy of this order. In case, the petitioner is found held entitled, the necessary benefits be released to him within a period of 04 weeks thereafter.

(NAMIT KUMAR)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether reportable: Yes/No