

CWP-8749 of 2024

2024:PHHC:092966



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

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Date of decision: 24.07.2024

Balbir Singh Vohra

.....Petitioner

Versus

Punjab State Power Corporation Limited and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAMIT KUMAR

Present: - Mr. Pankaj Garg, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. G.S. Kandhola, Advocate,
for the respondents.

NAMIT KUMAR, J. (ORAL)

1. Present petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for issuance of writ in the nature of *mandamus* directing the respondents to release the gratuity to the petitioner along with interest at the rate of 8% per annum and also to pay interest at the rate of 8% per annum on the delayed payment of retiral benefits.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner at the outset confines his prayer for deciding representation dated 17.04.2024 (Annexure P-2). He submits that at this stage, petitioner would be satisfied, if the said representation is considered and decided by passing a speaking order in a time-bound frame.

3. Notice of motion.

4. Mr. G.S. Kandhola, Advocate, accepts notice on behalf of 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.1 – Managing Director is directed to consider and decide the claim made by the petitioner in representation dated 17.04.2024 (Annexure P-2) 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 petitioner is found entitled, necessary benefits be released within a period of three weeks thereafter.
7.

The petition stands disposed of.

24.07.2024
R.S.

(NAMIT KUMAR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

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Yes/No

Whether Reportable

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Yes/No