

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

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CWP-10257-2020
Date of decision: 15.03.2024

Randhir Kaur ...Petitioner

Versus

The Punjab Agricultural University
Ludhiana and another ...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAMIT KUMAR

Present: Mr. Vikas Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Deepak Agnihotri, Advocate for the respondents.

NAMIT KUMAR J. (Oral)

1. The petitioner has filed the instant writ petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India seeking a writ of mandamus directing the respondents to pay family pension to the petitioner as per the Old Family Pension Scheme and for quashing the order/notification dated 25.03.2008 passed by the respondent-University to the extent whereby retrospective effect has been given w.e.f. 01.01.2004 and for directing the respondents to release the arrears of retiral benefits along with interest @ 12% per annum.
2. Learned counsel for the respondents submits that a sum of Rs.11,32,357/- has been released to the petitioner on account of final payment of G.P.F.; Rs.29,15,033/- on account of arrears of family pension and Rs.10,00,000/- on account of gratuity. He further submits that in view of the above, the instant petition has been rendered infructuous.

4. On the other hand, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is entitled for revised gratuity of Rs.20,00,000/- for which he has already submitted representation dated 05.03.2024, which is still pending before the respondent/University. He submits that time bound directions may be issued to the respondent/University to consider and decide the said representation.

5. Learned counsel for the respondent has no objection to the innocuous prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioner.

6. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the paperbook.

6. In view of the above, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondents/University to consider and decide the representation dated 05.03.2024 made by the petitioner, within a period of 02 months from today.

15.03.2024
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(NAMIT KUMAR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether reportable:	Yes/No