

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

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CWP-10355 of 2024
Date of Decision:06.05.2024

Gurmail Singh

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMAN CHAUDHARY

Present: Ms. Malkit Kaur, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

AMAN CHAUDHARY J. (Oral)

1. The present petition has been filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directintg the respondents to refund Rs.3,65,000/- to the petitioner.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that Rs.3,65,000/- has been deducted by respondent No.4 on account of penal rent despite the fact that the petitioner had not residing in quarter No.28, in this regard his representation with the observations has been forwarded by the Superintendent, Central Jail, Patiala-respondent No.3 on 23.03.2021 to respondent No.4 which has not yet been decided. She, on instructions, submits that the petitioner would be satisfied if his representation, Annexure P-3, is directed to be decided in a time bound manner.

3. Notice of motion.
4. Mr. Amarpreet Singh Bains, AAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the respondents-State and has no objection to the limited prayer made.
5. In view of the aforesaid and without commenting upon the merits of the case, this petition is hereby disposed of with a direction to the respondents to decide the representation, Annexure P-3, within a period of four months, which this Court has no reason to believe the authorities would not address in a just, fair and reasonable manner. Upon doing so, after notice and hearing offered to him, and if found entitled, grant the benefit forthwith. Needless to say, if the orders are adverse to his interest, the same shall contain reasons and the petitioner shall be free to seek legal redress.

(AMAN CHAUDHARY)
JUDGE

May 06, 2024
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Whether reportable	:	Yes/No