

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

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CWP-10314 of 2024
Date of Decision:06.05.2024

Harcharan Singh

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMAN CHAUDHARY

Present: Mr. Navdeep Singh Dhillon, 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 start monthly pension of the petitioner and also pay all pensionary benefits including gratuity alongwith interest on the delayed payment.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner who was working as Panchayat Secretary, retired on 29.04.2022 after attaining the age of superannuation however has not been released any retiral benefits even though the department on 29.11.2023 granted approval to pay an amount of Rs.5,00,190/- to the petitinoner on account of gratuity. He, on instructions, submits that the petitioner would be satisfied if a direction is given to the respondents to decide the legal notice dated 11.03.2024, Annexure P-4, 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.
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 legal notice dated 11.03.2024, Annexure P-4 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