

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

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CWP No.10437 of 2024 (O&M)
Date of decision: 06.05.2024

Shri Chand
.....Petitioner
Versus
State of Punjab and others
.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAMIT KUMAR

Present: Ms. Satpreet Kaur Kapila, 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/disburse all the service benefits/retiral dues of the petitioner along with 18% interest per annum, within a period of one month. Further direction be issued to the respondents to decide the legal notice dated 21.02.2024 (Annexure P-6).
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner, at the very outset, confines his prayer for deciding legal notice dated 21.02.2024 (Annexure P-6). He submits that at this stage, petitioner would be satisfied, if the said legal notice is decided by passing a speaking order within a time bound frame.
3. Notice of motion.
4. Mr. Rajesh Sehgal, Addl. A.G., Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 4. On the asking of the Court Mr. Shobhit

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Phutela, Advocate, has accepted notice on behalf of respondent No.5 and have no objection to the innocuous prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioner.

5. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and have gone through the record of the case.

6. Without going into the merits of the case, at this stage, this writ petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.5 to decide legal notice dated 21.02.2024 (Annexure P-6), expeditiously, submitted by the petitioner by passing a speaking order, preferably within a period of 03 months from receipt of certified copy of this order. Necessary benefits, if any, found due to the petitioner shall be released preferably within a period of 04 weeks thereafter.

(NAMIT KUMAR)
JUDGE

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