



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

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CWP No.13922 of 2024 (O&M)
Date of decision: 10.09.2024

Shiv Kumar Sharma

....Petitioner

Versus

Punjab State Power Corporation Limited and another

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAMIT KUMAR

Present: Ms. Gitanjali Chhabra, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Karmanbir Singh Kharbanda, Advocate
for the respondents.

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 certiorari, for quashing the order dated 24.11.2022 (Annexure P-6), passed by respondent No.2, vide which the claim of the petitioner for grant of one notional increment has been rejected. Further a writ of mandamus has been sought for directing the respondents to grant one notional increment from the due date and further the pension and pensionary benefits of the petitioner be revised after giving the benefit of one notional increment along with interest @ 18% per annum.
2. Learned counsel for the respondents has produced a copy of Finance Circular No.24 of 2024 dated 11.07.2024 and Para 3 whereof, reads as under:-

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“3. The Government has therefore revisited these instructions as referred in para 1 above, and has now decided to grant the benefit of one notional annual increment to all the pensioners of the State Government who have completed 12 months of service on the date of their retirement for purpose of re-fixation of their last drawn pay for the purpose of computing their pensionary benefits. The increment shall, however, be granted if otherwise admissible as per provisions of Punjab Civil Services Rules i.e. subject to verification of service records.”

3. Learned counsel for the respondents submits that the case of the petitioner is under consideration in terms of the aforesaid Finance Circular and the same shall be finalized within a period of one month from today and necessary benefits shall be released to the petitioner.
4. In view of the statement made by learned counsel for the respondents, the instant petition is disposed of as having become infructuous.
5. Let the necessary benefits shall be released to the petitioner within the stipulated time as mentioned hereinbefore.

(NAMIT KUMAR)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether reportable: Yes/No