



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

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CWP No.17911 of 2024 (O&M)
Date of decision: 31.07.2024

Mohan Singh

....Petitioner

Versus

Punjab Gramin Bank and others

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAMIT KUMAR

Present: Mr. H.C. Arora, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Hemant Hans, Advocate
for Mr. Bhushan Bhatia, Advocate
for the respondents.

NAMIT KUMAR J. (Oral)

1. Prayer in this writ petition filed by the petitioner under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, is for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus, directing the respondents to pay interest to the petitioner on gratuity amount of Rs.10,48,738/- for the period of delay in payment thereof from 26.03.2021 to 30.11.2023 @ 9% per annum.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner, at the very outset, has relied upon the Full Bench judgment of this Court in **A.S. Randhawa Vs. State of Punjab and others**, 1997(3) SCT 468 as well as the judgment in **J.S. Cheema Vs. State of Haryana**, 2014(13) RCR (Civil) 355. He confines his prayer for deciding representation dated 10.11.2023 (Annexure P-6). He submits that at this stage, petitioner would be satisfied, if the said representation is decided by passing a speaking order within a time bound frame.

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3. Notice of motion.
4. Mr. Hemant Hans, Advocate for Mr. Bhushan Bhatia, Advocate, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents and has 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, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.1 to decide representation dated 10.11.2023 (Annexure P-6), submitted by the petitioner expeditiously, by passing a speaking order, preferably within a period of 03 months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.
7. Liberty is granted to supplement the representation dated 10.11.2023 (Annexure P-6), if so advised.

(NAMIT KUMAR)
JUDGE

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