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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA  
AT CHANDIGARH**

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Date of decision:-29.08.2024

Chaman Lal Premy

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

...Respondents

**CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUVIR SEHGAL****Present** : Petitioner – Chaman Lal Premy in person.

Ms.Amrita Garg, AAG, Punjab.

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**SUVIR SEHGAL, J.(ORAL)**

1. By way of present writ petition filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India, petitioner has approached this Court, *inter alia*, for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus seeking direction to respondents to grant interest @ 18% p.a. on account of delayed payment of revised pension of Rs.1,78,773/-.

2. Petitioner, who has appeared in person, submits that he retired from the post of District Development and Panchayat Officer, although he was discharging the duties of a Deputy Director, on 31.01.2018 on attaining the age of superannuation. He submits that instructions dated 29.10.2021, were issued for implementing the recommendations of Sixth Pay Commission, but despite repeated representations, petitioner was not paid the revised pension. He submits



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that the payment was sanctioned on 16.05.2024, Annexure P11 and by legal notice dated 02.07.2024, Annexure P12, he has called upon the respondents to pay interest for the delayed payment. He has placed reliance upon the judgment passed by this Court in *A.S. Randhawa Versus State of Punjab, 1997 (3) SCT 468*. He submits that he would be satisfied in case the respondents are directed to look into the legal notice.

3. Notice of motion.

4. On asking of the Court, Ms.Amrita Garg, AAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondents.

5. Given the nature of order proposed to be passed, this Court does not deem it necessary to call for a response from the respondents.

6. Having heard the petitioner and State counsel, but without examining the claim on merits, writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the Administrative Secretary, Rural Development & Panchayats Department, Punjab to consider the legal notice, Annexure P12, within a period of four months from the date of receipt of the certified copy of this order. It is expected that in case the legal notice does not find favour with the authority, an order shall be passed giving reasons for rejection.

(SUVIR SEHGAL)  
JUDGE

29.08.2024  
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Whether reasoned/speaking : Yes/No  
Whether reportable : Yes/No