

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

Sr. No.288

CWP-22325-2022

Date of decision : 27.02.2024

Raj Kumar

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and anr.

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMAN CHAUDHARY

Present: Mr. Dhiraj Chawla, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Gagneshwar Walia, Addl.A.G. Punjab

AMAN CHAUDHARY, J. (Oral)

1. The prayer in the present Civil Writ Petition filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India, is for directing the respondents to take time bound decision regarding the charge-sheet dated 31.01.2020 (Annexure P-4).

2. Learned counsel would contend that the petitioner, who was working as Principal in ITI Bombeyal, District Pathankot, retired on 31.01.2020 upon attaining the age of superannuation at 58 years. However, on the same very day, he was issued charge sheet (Annexure P-4) and the enquiry was completed on 01.01.2021 (Annexure R-3) but for the reasons best known, the matter was further forwarded to Vigilance Bureau, vide letter dated 05.03.2021 (Annexure R-4) with no progress whatsoever in the matter. Due to the above, the retiral benefits of the petitioner have been withheld.

last order dated 13.02.2024, he has informed the Court that the matter would be decided in next 60 days.

4. The aforesaid satisfies learned counsel for the petitioner, who states that in case the decision is in his favour, the retiral benefits be directed to be released to him or else a speaking order be passed.

5. In view of the statement made above, this petition is disposed of with a direction to respondents to take a final decision in the matter pending with them within a period of three months and in case the petitioner is entitled, the retiral benefits be released him, within a period of two weeks thereafter. However, the issue of interest is kept open.

(AMAN CHAUDHARY)
JUDGE

27.02.2024
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Whether speaking/reasoned	:-	Yes/No
Whether reportable	:-	Yes/No