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IN THE PUNJAB AND HARYANA HIGH COURT AT
CHANDIGARH

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CWP-21956-2024 (O&M).
Date of Decision: 03.09.2024.

VINOD BALA

.. Petitioner

Versus

UNION OF INDIA AND OTHERS

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VINOD S. BHARDWAJ.

Present: Mr. Chander Shekhar Singhal, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Ramesh Chander Sharma, Advocate,
for respondent No.1.

Mr. Pankaj Mulwani, DAG, Haryana,
for respondents No.2 and 3.

VINOD S. BHARDWAJ, J. (ORAL)

The instant writ petition has been instituted under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India, 1950 seeking issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to release the “Freedom Fighter Samman Pension” to the petitioner being the widowed daughter of Late Shri Sadhu Ram, Freedom Fighter, from the date of death of her father and mother along with all the consequential benefits with interest. An alternative prayer has also been made for seeking directions to the respondents to decide the representation and legal notice pending with the respondents.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that, at this juncture,

he would be satisfied in case respondent No.1-Union of India through its

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Secretary, Freedom Fighter Division, Ministry of Home Affairs, NDCC-II Building, New Delhi, is directed to decide the legal notice dated 12.08.2024 (Annexure P-2) sent by the petitioner by passing a speaking and reasoned order in accordance with law and in a time bound manner.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Ramesh Chander Sharma, Advocate, accepts notice on behalf of respondent No.1 and Mr. Pankaj Mulwani, DAG, Haryana, accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.2 and 3 and they have no objection to the aforesaid prayer being granted.

Accordingly, with the consent of the parties and without commenting upon the merits of the case, the present writ petition is disposed of and respondent No.1- Union of India through its Secretary, Freedom Fighter Division, Ministry of Home Affairs, NDCC-II Building, New Delhi,, is directed to decide the legal notice dated 12.08.2024 (Annexure P-2), sent by the petitioner and to pass a speaking and reasoned order thereupon in accordance with law within a period of three months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order after granting an opportunity of hearing to the respective parties.

Petition stands disposed of accordingly.

September 03, 2024.
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(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

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