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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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Date of Decision: 04.09.2024

SATPAL DHANDA AND OTHERS
..... PETITIONERS
VERSUS
STATE OF HARYANA AND OTHERS
.....RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR JUSTICE TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA

Present: Mr. Sunil Kumar Dhanda, Advocate
for the petitioners.

TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA, J. (ORAL)

The petition has been filed *inter alia* seeking a writ of *mandamus* directing the respondents to re-fix the petitioners' pension by granting them benefit of annual increment in the last year of retirement.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners contends that in the last year of retirement, the petitioners have completed the requisite six months or more of satisfactory service, and became entitled to one annual increment on that basis. The law in this regard stands settled by the Supreme Court in *The Director (Admn. and HR) KPTCL and others v. C.P.Mundinamani and others*, 2023 SCC Online SC 401, and this Court in CWP No.8364 of 2024,

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titled *Suresh Kumar Singla and others v. State of Haryana and others*, decided on 16.04.2024. Still, the petitioners’ claim has not been considered, nor has their representation, dated 13.05.2024, Annexure P-6, been decided so far.

3. Notice of motion.
4. Ms. Tanushree Gupta, Deputy Advocate General, Haryana, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents and submits that the pending representation, dated 13.05.2024, will be decided expeditiously by respondent no.3, keeping in view of law laid down in the aforementioned cases.
5. In view thereof, without going into the merits of the case, the petition is disposed of with a direction to third respondent-Director, Secondary Education, to consider and decide the pending representation, dated 13.05.2024, in the light of the judgments mentioned above by passing a speaking order thereupon, within a period of three months of receiving a certified copy of this order.

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(TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA)
JUDGE

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>