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

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Date of decision: 09.09.2024

Sukhwinder Singh

.....Petitioner

Versus

Punjab State Power Corporation Limited and another

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAMIT KUMAR

Present: - Mr. Gopal Singh Nahel, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

NAMIT KUMAR, J. (ORAL)

1. This writ petition has been filed by the petitioner under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ in the nature of *mandamus* for direction to the respondents to release the retiral benefits (pension, gratuity etc.) along with interest at the rate of 12% per annum to the petitioner.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner retired from service on attaining the age of superannuation on 31.05.2024 and except for GPF and leave encashment no other pensionary benefit of the petitioner has been released. Learned counsel submits that petitioner has submitted legal notice dated 25.07.2024 (Annexure P-2) and at this stage, petitioner would be satisfied, if the said legal notice is considered and decided by passing a speaking order in a time-bound frame.

3. Notice of motion.

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4. Mr. Madhur Singh, 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 expressing any opinion on the merits of the case or the claim being made by the petitioner in the present petition, respondent No.1 is directed to consider and decide the claim made by the petitioner in legal notice dated 25.07.2024 (Annexure P-2) in accordance with law, by passing a speaking order within a period of three months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order. In case, the petitioner is found entitled, necessary benefits be released within a period of three weeks thereafter.

7. The petition stands disposed of.

09.09.2024
R.S.

(NAMIT KUMAR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether Reportable : Yes/No