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AT CHANDIGARH**

CWP-33021-2024

Date of Decision : 09-12-2024

RAM CHAND

.....Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ORS

.....Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: Mr. Devansh Gupta, Advocate for the petitioner.

 Mr. Amarpreet Singh Bains, AAG Punjab.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI, J. (Oral)

In the present petition, the petitioner is entitled for interest on the delayed release of the pensionary benefits as the same have not been released to the petitioner after retirement despite the fact that there was no impediment hence, as per the judgement of the Full Bench of this Court **A.S. Randhawa Vs. State of Punjab and others, 1997(3) SCT 468**, an employee is entitled for the grant of interest on the delayed release of his pensionary benefits.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has already raised the said grievance in the legal notice dated 23.02.2022 (Annexure P-3) but the same is still pending consideration with the respondents and the petitioner will be satisfied, at this stage, in case a

direction is issued to the respondents to decide the same by passing an appropriate speaking order in a time bound manner.

Notice of motion.

On the asking of the Court, Mr. Amarpreet Singh Bains, AAG Punjab, who is present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State and submits that in case, the legal notice dated 23.02.2022 (Annexure P-3) has been received in the office of the concerned authorities and the same is still pending consideration with the authorities concerned, the same will be decided by the competent authority within a period of eight weeks from the date of the receipt of certified copy of this order by passing an appropriate speaking order. Learned counsel further submits that in case, it is found feasible to accept the claim of the petitioner, the same will be accepted, otherwise due reasons will be mentioned for not accepting the claim of the petitioner in the speaking order to be passed and the said order will be duly conveyed to the petitioner.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that keeping in view the statement of learned State counsel, the present petition may kindly be disposed of having been not pressed any further.

Ordered accordingly.

09-12-2024
Sapna Goyal

(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

NOTE: Whether speaking: YES/NO
Whether reportable: YES/NO