



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CWP-7148-2023 (O&M)

Date of decision: 21.04.2025

Jaipal

...Petitioner

VERSUS

State of Haryana and others

...Respondents

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

Present :- Mr. V.D. Sharma, Advocate for the petitioner(s).

Ms. Dimple Jain, DAG Haryana.

VINOD S. BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

The instant writ petition has been filed for directing the respondents to pay (i) Commutation of pension amount; (ii) Arrear of Gratuity; (iii) LTC for the Block years 2020-23 alongwith interest @12% per annum on the arrears from the date of retirement on superannuation i.e. 31.01.2022 till the actual payment.

Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner contends that during the pendency of the instant writ petition, the prayer made by the petitioner stands answered and the benefits have been released. He, however, contends that the same have been released after much delay. The petitioner is thus entitled to interest thereupon. He contends that so far as commutation of pension and arrears of Gratuity amount are concerned, as against the same being due in January-2022, the same have been released on



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08.04.2022. He contends Leave encashment was also released after 08 months.

Taking into consideration the submissions advanced and there being no satisfactory grounds referred to in the reply filed by the respondents for delayed release of the benefits viz. the Commutation of pension, arrears of Gratuity and Leave encashment, the petitioner is held entitled to interest @6% per annum on the said amount for the period of delay. The prayer for grant of interest on release of LTC for the block years 2020-23 and GIS is, however, declined.

Let the aforesaid interest amount be computed by the respondents within a period of 03 months of receipt of a certified copy of this order, failing which, the petitioner shall be entitled for interest @8% per annum on the said amount.

The instant writ petition is disposed of accordingly.

(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

21.04.2025

Mangal Singh

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