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

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CWP-8880 of 2025 (O&M)
Date of Decision:09.04.2025

Jaswant Singh and others

....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPINDER SINGH NALWA

Present: Mr. Nitesh Singla, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

DEEPINDER SINGH NALWA, J. (Oral)

1. In the present petition, the petitioners are praying for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondent department to release the arrears of pensionary benefits i.e. gratuity, leave encashment in view of the amendment dated 29.03.2018 (Annexure P-3) made by the Central Government in the Payment of Gratuity Act, 1972 vide which, maximum amount of gratuity has been enhanced to Rs.20 lac from Rs. 10 lac.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioners, on instructions from the petitioners, submits that at this stage, he will be satisfied if a direction may be given to respondent No.4 to decide legal notice dated 20.12.2024 (Annexure P-5), in a time bound manner.
3. Notice of motion.

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4. Mr. Rajesh Sehgal, Addl. A.G., Punjab accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3 and on the asking of the Court, Mr. Sanjeev Soni, Advocate, also accepts notice on behalf of respondent No.4 and both of them submit that they have no objection to the prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioners.

5. In view of the above and without commenting upon the merits of the case, this petition is hereby disposed of with a direction to respondent No.4 to consider and decide legal notice dated 20.12.2024 (Annexure P-5), within a period of 04 months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order, in accordance with law.

(DEEPINDER SINGH NALWA)
JUDGE

April 09, 2025
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Whether speaking	:	Yes/No
Whether reportable	:	Yes/No