



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

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CWP-9845-2025

Date of Decision: 07.04.2025

NARESH KUMAR AND ANOTHER

... Petitioners

Versus

EMPLOYEE PROVIDENT FUND ORGANISATION AND OTHERS

... Respondents

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

Present: Dr. Deepak Jindal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

VINOD S. BHARDWAJ, J. (ORAL)

The present writ petition has been filed seeking directions to the respondent No.2 to consider and accept the Joint-Options dated 27.02.2023 (Annexure P-8) submitted by the petitioners for grant of higher/revised pension calculated on the basis of their actual salary under the Employees' Pension Scheme, 1995 in accordance with law.

2. At the very outset, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that, at this juncture, the petitioner would be satisfied in case respondent No.2-the Regional Provident Fund Commissioner, through Addl. Central Provident Fund Commissioner (for Punjab & Himachal Pradesh) is directed to take a decision on the pending option dated 27.02.2023 submitted by the

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petitioners therein by passing a reasoned and speaking order thereupon in accordance with law and in a time bound manner.

3. Taking into a consideration the above as well as in view of the order, which this Court proposes to pass, issuance of notice of motion is dispensed with at this stage.

4. Accordingly, without commenting upon the merits of the case, the present petition is disposed of and respondent No.2-the Regional Provident Fund Commissioner, through Addl. Central Provident Fund Commissioner (for Punjab & Himachal Pradesh), is directed to take a decision on the pending option dated 27.02.2023 and to pass a reasoned and speaking order thereupon in accordance with law preferably within a period of four months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

APRIL 07, 2025*Vishal Sharma***(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE***Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No**Whether reportable : Yes/No*