



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

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**CWP-11199-2025 (O&M)
Date of decision : 06.05.2025**

PAWAN KUMAR AND OTHERS

..... Petitioners

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

..... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPINDER SINGH NALWA

Present :- Ms. Gitanjali Chhabra, Advocate with
Ms. Muskan, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Deepinder Singh Nalwa, J. (Oral)

1. In the present writ petition, the petitioners have challenged the actions of the respondents in not releasing the revised rate of Death-cum-Retirement Gratuity to the petitioners in terms of Clause 6 of Finance Department Circular dated 29.10.2021 (Annexure P-5) whereby the maximum limit of Death-cum-Retirement Gratuity has been enhanced from Rs.10 lacs to Rs.20 lacs w.e.f. 01.01.2016.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners, on instructions from the petitioners, submits that at this stage, they will be satisfied if a direction be given to respondent No.3 to decide the legal notice dated 15.03.2025 (Annexure P-8), by passing an appropriate speaking order in a time bound manner.

3. Notice of motion.

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4. On the asking of the Court, Mr. Vikas Arora, DAG, Punjab. who is present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of respondents and does not object 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.3 to consider and decide the legal notice dated 15.03.2025 (Annexure P-8), within a period of 08 weeks from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order by passing a speaking order in accordance with law. In event, the petitioners are held entitled for grant of relief as per the law as claimed in the writ petition, the same be also released within a period of four weeks thereafter.

6. Pending applications, if any, shall also stand disposed of accordingly.

(DEEPINDER SINGH NALWA)
JUDGE

06.05.2025

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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes
Whether Reportable :	No