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

(245)

**CWP-14239-2020 (O&M)
Date of Decision : 10.12.2025**

Manohar Singh and others

...Petitioners

Versus

Union of India and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDEEP TIWARI

Present: Mr. Raman Kumar, Advocate for
Mr. Rajeev K. Kapila, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Dheeraj Jain, Sr. Panel Counsel
for respondent No.1-Union of India.

Mr. Rajesh Hooda, Advocate
for respondents No.2 and 3.

Mr. Vishal Bhatia, Advocate
for respondents No.4 and 5.

KULDEEP TIWARI, J.(ORAL)

1. Learned counsel for the respondents, while referring to the judgment passed by the Coordinate Bench of this Court, in CWP-35154-2024 (O&M) and other connected cases, wherethrough a bunch of petitions were decided on 24.09.2025, submits that the issue involved in the instant writ petition, is no more *res integra*.

2. It was specifically held in the judgment (*supra*), that the persons, who retired before 01.09.2014, without exercising the stipulated option, are deemed to have exited the scheme, and are not entitled to its benefits, leaving no room for ambiguity. However, the persons who retired after 01.09.2014,



they can be granted higher pension, if they have already applied, in terms of judgment of the Hon’ble Supreme Court in *‘The Employees Provident Fund Organization and another versus Sunil Kumar B. and others etc.’, 2022 INSC 1171*. He further submits that the instant writ petition can be disposed of in view of the judgment passed by the Coordinate Bench of this Court, in CWP-35154-2024 (O&M) and other connected cases, titled *‘Om Parkash and others versus Union of India and others’* decided on 24.09.2025.

- 3. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that he would be satisfied, in case, the instant writ petition is disposed of in the above stated terms.
- 4. Consequently, the instant writ petition is **disposed of**.
- 5. Pending applications, if any, stands disposed of accordingly.

(KULDEEP TIWARI)
JUDGE

December 10, 2025
Manpreet

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