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

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CWP-12755-2025 (O & M)
Date of decision: 06.05.2025

Ashok Kumar

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and Others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMAN CHAUDHARY

Present : Ms. Gitanjali Chhabra, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Manipal Singh Atwal, DAG, Punjab.

AMAN CHAUDHARY, J. (ORAL)

1. Prayer made in the present petition is for directing the respondents to grant one annual notional increment to the petitioner after completion of one year of service w.e.f. 16.07.2021 till date i.e. from the date of filing CWP-13122-2021, alongwith interest.

2. Learned counsel would contend that regarding the claim raised in the present petition, a legal notice dated 10.02.2025, Annexure P-7, has been served upon the respondents, which has yet not evoked any response. He, on instructions, prays that a direction may be given to the respondents to decide the same in a time bound manner, to which learned State counsel has no objection.

3. In view of the above and without commenting upon the merits of the case, this petition is hereby disposed of with a direction to

the respondents to decide the legal notice dated 10.02.2025, within a period of 4 months, which this Court has no reason to believe the authorities would not address in a just, fair and reasonable manner. Upon doing so, after notice and hearing offered to him and if found entitled, grant the benefit forthwith. Needless to say, if the orders are adverse to his interest, the same shall contain reasons and the petitioner shall be free to seek legal redress thereupon.

06.05.2025

parveen kumar

(AMAN CHAUDHARY)
JUDGE

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