



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

CWP No.17335 of 2025

Date of Decision: 02.07.2025

Union of India and others

...Petitioners

Versus

No.15512481Y Ex. Rect. Lakhwinder Singh and another

...Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJEEV PRAKASH SHARMA
HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA**

Present:- Ms. Promila Nain, Advocate, Senior Panel counsel
for the petitioners.

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SANJEEV PRAKASH SHARMA J. (Oral)

The challenge in this writ-petition is to the order passed by respondent No.2-Armed Forces Tribunal (for short 'the AFT') on 03.07.2023 (Annexure P-1) whereby the disability of 20% has been on account of generalised seizure and consequent discharged from service, was considered by the AFT to direct the petitioners to pay invalid pension to the applicant (respondent No.1 herein) from the date of his discharge from service, i.e 18.05.2014 for life and the due and admissible arrears which shall remain restricted to three years preceding the date of institution of the application, i.e 17.09.2021 be calculated and released to the applicant within a period of three months.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that respondent No.1 had only served for five months and five days and therefore, there was no occasion to grant the benefit of pension.



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3. We notice that as per the judgment passed by Hon'ble the Supreme Court in ***Union of India & Ors. Vs. P.A. Thomas*** in ***SLP (c) 20330/2011***, the grant of invalid pension on medical grounds would not be affected by the length of service rendered by respondent No.1.

4. In view thereto, we find that the order passed by respondent No.2-AFT does not warrant any interference. Accordingly, the present writ-petition is dismissed.

(SANJEEV PRAKASH SHARMA)
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<i>Whether speaking/reasoned:</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether Reportable:</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>