



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

CWP-20412-2025

Date of Decision : 22-07-2025

SUNITA KUMARI AND OTHERS

.....Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

.....Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: Mr. Mohit Shukla, Advocate and
Ms. Preeti, Advocate for the petitioners.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI, J. (Oral)

1. In the present petition, the grievance being raised by the petitioners is that the husband of the petitioner No.1 and the father of petitioner Nos.2 and 3 namely Manmohan Sharma, who was working with the respondent attained the age of superannuation on 31.03.2025 and retired but, before any retiral benefits could be released in his favour, he died on 28.04.2025.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that though, the retiral benefits are to be released within a period of two months from the date of superannuation but no benefit has been released in favour of the petitioner, which is arbitrary and illegal and the same is contrary to the judgement of the Full Bench of this Court **A.S. Randhawa Vs. State of Punjab and others, 1997(3) SCT 468.**

3. Notice of motion.

4. Mr. Saurav Verma, Addl. A.G., Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State.

5. Learned counsel for the respondent-State on instructions from Mr. Niraj Kumar, Senior Assistant o/o Executive Engineer, Madhopur Canal and Ground Water Division, WRD, Gurdaspur submits that the benefit of GPF and GIS has already been deposited in the salary account of the deceased employee as, no information was given about the death of Manmohan Sharma and the remaining benefits are being computed and will be released to the entitled keeping in view the Rules governing the service within a period of **4 weeks** from today.

6. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that keeping in view the statement of the learned counsel for the respondent-State, no grievance of the petitioners survives in the present petition and the same may kindly be disposed of as having been not pressed any further.

7. Ordered accordingly.

22-07-2025
Sapna Goyal

(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

NOTE: Whether speaking: YES
Whether reportable: NO