



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

CWP-21347-2025

Date of Decision : 29-07-2025

GURSHARAN SINGH

.....Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

.....Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: Mr. Yagsimant Attri, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. T.P.S Chawla, Sr. DAG Punjab.

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HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI, J. (Oral)

1. In the present petition, the challenge is to the speaking order No.1073 dated 10.03.2025, copy of which has been appended as Annexure P-2, by which the claim of the petitioner for release of the withheld pensionary benefits was declined by the respondents, which is causing prejudice to him.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the order dated 10.03.2025 (Annexure P-2) passed by the respondent No.5 is on the ground that the criminal proceedings in pursuance to the FIR No.55 dated 28.04.2000 were pending against the petitioner even though, prior to the passing of the impugned order, the petitioner had already been acquitted by the competent court of law on 06.03.2025, which fact has been ignored by

the respondents hence, the respondents are under obligation to release all the withheld pensionary benefits admissible to the petitioner in accordance with the law.

3. Notice of motion.

4. Mr. T.P.S Chawla, Sr. DAG Punjab on instructions from Executive Engineer, Gurdaspur (received on Whatsapp) concedes the fact that the petitioner has been acquitted in the criminal proceedings prior to the passing of the impugned order dated 10.03.2025 (Annexure P-2) but submits that the said order was not brought to the notice of the authorities and now, the petitioner has been called to submit the documents for the release of the withheld pensionary benefits and an appropriate action will be taken within a period of **8 weeks** from the receipt of copy of this order and whatever amount the petitioner is found entitled for will be released to him within the said period.

5. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that keeping in view the view the statement of the learned State counsel, the present petition may kindly be disposed of as having been not pressed any further.

6. Ordered accordingly.

29-07-2025
Sapna Goyal

(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

NOTE: Whether speaking: Yes
Whether reportable: NO