



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

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CWP-24454-2025 (O&M)
Date of decision: 22.08.2025

Mukhtiar Singh Kahlon

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARPREET SINGH BRAR

Present: Mr. Aditya Dassaur, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. T.P.S. Walia, AAG, Punjab.

HARPREET SINGH BRAR J. (Oral)

1. Prayer in this writ petition filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India, is for issuance of a writ in the nature of *mandamus*, directing the respondents to release the retiral benefits of the petitioner in the form of Gratuity and Leave Encashment along with interest @ 18% per annum from the date of superannuation till the date of payment. Further prayer has been made to direct respondent No.2 to decide the legal notice dated 29.07.2025 (Annexure P-2) filed by the petitioner.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that he would be satisfied if the legal notice dated 29.07.2025 (Annexure P-2) of the petitioner is decided by respondent No.2 by passing a speaking order in a time bound manner.



3. Learned State counsel, appearing on advance notice, submits that he has no objection, in case a direction is issued to the respondent No.2 for time-bound consideration and decision of the legal notice dated 29.07.2025 of the petitioner by passing a speaking order.
4. Therefore, in view of the limited prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioner, the respondent No.2 is directed to consider the legal notice dated 29.07.2025 (Annexure P-2) of the petitioner and pass a speaking order, after affording an opportunity of hearing to the petitioner, within a period of 03 months from the date of receiving a certified copy of this order. Further, the decision taken thereof shall be conveyed to the petitioner. Needless to say, if the petitioner is found entitled to the relief sought, the same shall be granted forthwith by respondent No.2.
5. Disposed of, accordingly.

(HARPREET SINGH BRAR)
JUDGE

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