



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

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CWP-36847-2025

Date of decision : 24.12.2025

Danial Masih @ Daniel Masih

....Petitioner

V/S

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAMIT KUMAR

Present: Ms. Simran Atwal, Advocate for the petitioner.

NAMIT KUMAR, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioner has filed the instant petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, seeking a writ of mandamus, directing the respondents to release the arrears of subsistence allowance to the petitioner for the period of his suspension i.e. 20.04.2023 to 05.01.2024 with an interest @ 9% per annum from the date when the amount fell due till the date of realisation.

2. On 10.12.2025, the following order was passed :-

“Learned State counsel, who appears on receipt of advance copy of the paperbook, seeks adjournment to get instructions as to whether the subsistence allowance for the suspension period i.e. 20.04.2023 to 05.01.2024 has been paid to the petitioner.

Adjourned to 17.12.2025.”

3. Learned State counsel, on instructions from Sh. Amarjit Singh, Senior Assistant, D.C. Office, Pathankot, submits that subsistence allowance could not be released to the petitioner as the petitioner did not attend the office during his suspension period and did



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not furnish the requisite certificate to the effect that he is not engaged in any other employment, business, profession or a vocation during his suspension period.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner shall furnish the requisite certificate to the respondents within a period of three weeks from today.

5. If the petitioner furnishes the requisite certificate to the respondents within a period of three weeks from today, the subsistence allowance of the petitioner for his suspension period shall be released by the respondents within one month thereafter.

6. Disposed of in the above terms.

24.12.2025

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(NAMIT KUMAR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable:	Yes/No