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

**CWP-7018-2026(O&M)
Date of decision : 09.03.2026**

Ajaib Ram

...Petitioner

Versus

Punjabi University Patiala and others

...Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPINDER SINGH
NALWA**

Present: Mr. Hardeep Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

DEEPINDER SINGH NALWA, J. (Oral)

In the present writ petition, the petitioner is praying for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondent-University to release pensionary benefits to the petitioner after counting his entire service i.e. from 16.09.2005 to 13.05.2010 on fixed/contract basis and from 13.05.2010 to 24.12.2011 on adhoc basis and further to consider the abovesaid period rendered by the petitioner, before his regularization, as a qualifying service for the purpose of retiral benefits.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner, on instructions from the petitioner, submits that he will be satisfied if, at this stage, a direction is given to respondent No.1 to decide the legal notice dated 02.01.2026 (Annexure P-4) served by the petitioner in a time-bound manner.

3. Notice of motion.

4. Mr. Divyansh Vats, Advocate, for Mr. H.S. Batth, Advocate, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents and does not oppose the prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioner.



5. In view of the above and without commenting upon the merits of the case, the present petition is hereby disposed of with a direction to respondent No.1 to consider and decide the legal notice dated 02.01.2026 (Annexure P-4), served by the petitioner, in accordance with law/rules, within a period of 03 months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.
6. Pending application(s), if any, shall also stand(s) disposed of.

09.03.2026

(DEEPINDER SINGH NALWA)

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JUDGE

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