



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

CWP-8294-2026 (O&M)

Date of decision: 18.03.2026

Sukhjinder Pal Singh Dhaliwal

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARPREET SINGH BRAR

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

Mr. Vikas Arora, DAG, Punjab.

Ms. Gurneet Sagoo, Advocate for respondents No.3 and 4.

HARPREET SINGH BRAR J. (Oral)

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 pension and other accrued retiral benefits i.e. gratuity, leave encashment and arrears of pension, along with interest @ 18% per annum from the date of its accrual till actual realization.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner joined the Municipal Council on 07.07.1993 and he retired from Municipal Corporation, Barnala, on 30.09.2025 as Inspector (General). The leave encashment, gratuity and provisional pension has not been released till date and only GPF was released on 30.09.2025. The petitioner filed multiple representations including a legal notice dated 10.02.2026. Learned counsel for the petitioner further submits



that no departmental or judicial proceedings were pending against the petitioner at the time of his retirement.

Learned counsel for the petitioner further contends that he do not press his claim toward ACP benefits and confines his prayer to the extent of releasing all the pending retiral dues of the petitioner with interest.

Per contra, learned counsel for respondents No.3 and 4, submits that Pension Payment Order (PPO) is being prepared and is under process and all pensionary benefits will be paid to the petitioner within a period of four months as NOC from the concerned quarter is pending.

Learned counsel for the petitioner, at this stage, submits that the present petition be disposed of in the wake of the statement made by learned counsel for respondents No.3 and 4.

In view of the above, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondents No.3 and 4 to release all the pending retiral/pensionary benefits to the petitioner on or before 31.07.2026.

Needless to say that the petitioner would be entitled to interest @ 6% per annum, in terms of the Full Bench of this Court in ***A.S. Randhawa Supg. Engineer (Retd.) vs. State of Punjab 1998 (1) SCT 343***, to be calculated on delayed payment after the expiry of two months from the date of his retirement till its actual realization.

(HARPREET SINGH BRAR)

JUDGE

18.03.2026

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Whether speaking/reasoned:

Whether reportable:

Yes/No

Yes/No