



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

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CWP-9510-2026

Date of decision : 30.03.2026

Sarita Sharma

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAMIT KUMAR

Present: Mr. Sunny K. Singla, Advocate with
Ms. Ishita Kadian, Advocate for the petitioner.

NAMIT KUMAR J. (Oral)

1. The present petition has been filed by the petitioner under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India, seeking issuance of a writ of certiorari for quashing the order dated 20.05.2025 (Annexure P-2), passed by respondent No.2, whereby the respondents have illegally deducted amount of Rs.75,498/- from the gratuity of the petitioner. Further seeking issuance of a writ of mandamus, directing the respondents to refund the abovesaid amount to the petitioner with interest, refixation/revision of pension of the petitioner by ignoring the unlawful deduction and release the arrears of pension w.e.f. 30.11.2024 along with interest @ 18% per annum.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that for redressal of her grievances, the petitioner has also served legal notice dated 07.01.2026 (Annexure P-4) to the respondents which is still pending consideration. He further submits that at this stage, the petitioner would be satisfied, if appropriate directions are issued to the respondents to consider and decide the said legal notice, by passing a speaking order, in a time bound manner.

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3. Notice of motion.

4. Mr. Charanpreet Singh, A.A.G., Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents-State. He has no objection to the innocuous prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioner.

5. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and have gone through the record of the case.

6. Without going into the merits of the case at this stage, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 to consider and decide legal notice dated 07.01.2026 (Annexure P-4) submitted by the petitioner expeditiously, by passing a speaking order after affording an opportunity of hearing to the petitioner, preferably within a period of 03 months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order. Further, the decision taken thereon shall be conveyed to the petitioner. Needless to say, if the petitioner is found entitled to the relief sought, the same shall be granted to her within a period of 01 month thereafter.

30.03.2026
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(NAMIT KUMAR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether reportable:

Yes/No