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

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Date of decision: 27.04.2026

Anil Kumar

....Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAMIT KUMAR

Present: Mr. Vivek K. Thakur, Advocate, and
Mr. Arjun Dev, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Surya Kumar, AAG, Punjab.

NAMIT KUMAR, J. (ORAL)

1. Instant petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking a writ of mandamus directing the respondents to grant the petitioner promotion to the post of Kanungo from the date his juniors were promoted along with all consequential benefits including seniority, arrears of pay, increments and pensionary benefits in the light of his acquittal in corruption case vide judgment dated 20.09.2024 (Annexure P-8); for directing the respondents to treat the period of suspension from 09.05.2017 till reinstatement as duty period for all intents and purposes and to release full pay and allowances for the said period and for grant of interest @ 18% per annum on the delayed payment of arrears and other consequential dues.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that to claim the aforesaid benefit, petitioner has served legal notice dated 30.04.2025

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(Annexure P-10) upon the respondents, however, the same is still pending consideration. Learned counsel for the petitioner confines his prayer for disposing of the legal notice dated 30.04.2025 (Annexure P-10) and submits that at this stage, petitioner would be satisfied, if the said legal notice is considered and disposed of by passing a speaking order in a time-bound frame.

3. Notice of motion.

4. Mr. Surya Kumar, AAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents and 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 expressing any opinion on the merits of the case or the claim being made by the petitioner in the present petition, respondent No.4 is directed to consider and decide the claim made by the petitioner in the legal notice dated 30.04.2025 (Annexure P-10) in accordance with law, by passing a speaking order within a period of three months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

7. The petition stands disposed of.

27.04.2026

R.S.

(NAMIT KUMAR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether Reportable:

Yes/No