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

(253)

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Date of Decision : 05.02.2026

Lakhwinder Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDEEP TIWARI

Present: Mr. Virinder Kumar Shukla, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Pratibha Bali, AAG, Punjab.

KULDEEP TIWARI, J. (ORAL)

1. Through the instant writ petition, cast under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, a prayer is made for issuance of a *mandamus*, upon the respondents, to grant the benefit of increment to the petitioner, under Assured Career Progression (ACP) Scheme, on completion of 09 years of service.
2. At the very outset, learned counsel for the petitioner apprises this Court that benefit of ACP, on completion of 09 years of service, has already been given to the petitioner. Now, the only issue which remains for adjudication is the interest on the delayed payment.
3. The issue, as to whether, there is any delay in interest payment, or not, would required to be adjudicated by the respondent/department concerned, at the first instance. Therefore, the petitioner is directed to approach the respondent/department concerned, by filing a detailed representation, for interest, if any, on the delayed payment.



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4. In case, the petitioner files a detailed representation regarding entitlement of interest on the delayed payment, if any, with the authorities concerned, within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order, the latter shall decide the same within a period of six weeks, thereafter, after affording due opportunity of hearing to the petitioner.
5. Consequently, the instant writ petition is **disposed of**.

(KULDEEP TIWARI)
JUDGE

February 05, 2026
Manpreet

Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether reportable	:	Yes/No