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

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Date of decision: 12.05.2026

Asha Devi

....Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

**CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAMIT KUMAR**

Present: Mr. M.M. Pandey, Advocate, and  
Ms. Jyoti Pandey, Advocate,  
for the petitioner.

Mr. Swapan Shorey, DAG, 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 count the period from 01.12.2024 to 07.01.2025 as part of extended service period of the petitioner and release the salary for the said period in favour of the petitioner along with 12% interest. Further prayer has been made for quashing the extension order dated 09.01.2025 (Annexure P-4) only to the extent it treats the period from 01.12.2024 to 07.01.2025 as sanctioned earned leave of the petitioner.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that for redressal of her grievance, petitioner has served legal notice dated 05.01.2026

(Annexure P-5) upon the respondents, however, no action has been

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taken thereon till date. Learned counsel for the petitioner confines his prayer for deciding legal notice dated 05.01.2026 (Annexure P-5) 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. Swapan Shorey, DAG, 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.2 is directed to consider and decide the claim made by the petitioner in the legal notice dated 05.01.2026 (Annexure P-5) in accordance with law, by passing a speaking order within a period of two months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

7. The petition stands disposed of.

**12.05.2026**  
R.S.

**(NAMIT KUMAR)**  
**JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether Reportable:

Yes/No