

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

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**COCP-2695-2025
Decided on:02.07.2025**

Lachhman Singh

. . . Petitioner

Versus

Varun Roojam and others

. . . Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS BAHL

PRESENT: Mr. Padamkant Dwivedi, Advocate and
Ms. Mansi, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Surya Kumar, AAG, Punjab.

VIKAS BAHL, J.(ORAL)

1. Present Contempt Petition has been filed under Section 12 of the Contempt of Courts Act, 1971 for punishing the respondents for disobeying the order dated 08.01.2025 (Annexure P-1) passed by the Coordinate Bench of this Court.

2. The petitioner had filed CWP-19017-2020 which was decided on 08.01.2025 and the following relief was granted to the petitioner:-

“4. In wake of the facts and circumstances of the case, the impugned order dated 06.02.2019 is set aside and the respondents are directed to pay the interest at the rate of 6% per annum on amount of Rs.1,91,284/- from the date it fell due and that on retiral benefits from April 2019 till their respective realisations. Needful be done within a period of three months.

5. Disposed of accordingly

08.01.2025”

3. In pursuance of the order dated 27.05.2025, learned State counsel has filed a compliance affidavit of Gurinder Singh, General Manager, Punjab Roadways, Moga, which has been taken on record and copy of the same has been handed over to the learned counsel for the petitioner.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that although the principal amount of Rs.1,91,284/- has been paid to the petitioner but the



interest amount as calculated by the State, which comes to Rs. 91,107/-, has not been released till date. It is further submitted that there is an additional issue which arises inasmuch as the petitioner has not been paid the principal amount with respect to the Group Insurance Scheme which amounts to Rs. 59,742/- although the interest on the same has been sanctioned and calculated by the State of Punjab.

5. Learned State counsel, on instructions from Neeraj Kumar, Law Officer, Punjab Roadways, Moga, has submitted that the amount of Rs.91,107/- which is the interest amount would be paid to the petitioner within a period of 2 weeks from today. It is further submitted that even with respect to the amount payable in the Group Insurance Scheme, the amount of Rs.59,742/- has already been paid but at any rate, in case, the petitioner makes a representation to respondent No.3, then respondent No.3 would consider the said representation and pass a speaking order within a period of 4 weeks from the date of the receipt of the said representation.

6. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the statement made on behalf of the State satisfies the claim of the petitioner at present and has submitted that the present petition be disposed of at this stage but liberty be granted to the petitioner to revive the present contempt petition in case, the respondent-State backtracks from the statement made before this Court.

7. In view of the above, present Contempt Petition is disposed of as having been rendered infructuous with the aforesaid liberty.

02.07.2025

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*Whether reasoned/speaking?
Whether reportable?*

**(VIKAS BAHL)
JUDGE**

*Yes/No
Yes/No*