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

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CWP-20992-2025 (O&M)
Date of Decision :25.07.2025

Davinder Pal

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: Mr. Shivam Vashisth, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. T.P.S. Chawla, Senior DAG, Punjab.

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Harsimran Singh Sethi, J. (Oral)

1. In the present petition, the grievance of the petitioner is that though, the petitioner has retired from service on attaining the age of superannuation on 31.03.2024 but his pensionary benefits have been released by the respondents after a delay on different dates starting from 24.07.2024 to 29.03.2025 despite the fact that there was no impediment in the release of the said benefit and as per the settled principle of law settled by the Full Bench of this Court *A.S. Randhawa Vs. State of Punjab and others, 1997(3) SCT 468*, an employee is entitled for the release of his/her pensionary benefits within a period of two months of his/her retirement in case, there is no impediment failing which, the employee is entitled to be compensated for the said delay in the release of pensionary benefits.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has already raised the said grievance in the legal/demand notice dated

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30.04.2025 (Annexure P-5), which is still pending consideration with the respondents and the petitioner will be satisfied, at this stage, in case a direction is issued to the respondents to decide the same by passing an appropriate speaking order in a time bound manner.

3. Notice of motion.

4. On the asking of the Court, Mr. T.P.S. Chawla, Senior Deputy Advocate General, Punjab, who is present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State and submits that in case, legal/demand notice dated 30.04.2025 (Annexure P-5) has been received by the respondents and the same is still pending consideration with the authorities concerned, the same will be decided by the respondents by passing an appropriate speaking order within a period of eight weeks from the date of the receipt of copy of this order. In case, it is found feasible to accept the claim of the petitioner, the same will be accepted, otherwise due reasons for not accepting the claim of the petitioner will be mentioned in the speaking order so passed which order will be conveyed to the petitioner for his information and necessary action.

5. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that keeping in view the statement of learned counsel for the respondents, the present petition may kindly be disposed of having been not pressed any further.

6. Ordered accordingly.

July 25, 2025
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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes
Whether reportable : No