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

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CWP-4303-2025
Date of Decision: 17.02.2025

UPKAR SINGH

... Petitioner

VERSUS

CENTRAL BANK OF INDIA AND ORS

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VINOD S. BHARDWAJ.

Present: Mr. Varinder Sandhir, Advocate for the petitioner.

VINOD S. BHARDWAJ, J. (ORAL)

Prayer in the present petition is for directing the respondents to pay/release the retiral benefits (pension, leave encashment, gratuity, provident funds, group insurance, commuted pension) which are due since 31.05.2023, alongwith accrued interest on the outstanding arrears.

After arguing at some length, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that with regard to his grievance, the petitioner has got submitted various representations followed by a legal notice dated 08.12.2024 (Annexure P-4) but the respondents have neither paid the outstanding pensionary benefits to the petitioner nor have they taken any action upon the said legal notice.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Gaurav Goel and Mr. Tarlok Singh, Advocates accept notice on behalf of respondent No.3 and pray for some time to complete instructions and file response, if so advised.

Learned counsel for the petitioner, however, contends that he would be satisfied at this stage, in case respondent No.3- Regional Manager, Central Bank of India, Regional Office, Amritsar is directed to consider and decide the legal notice dated 08.12.2024 (Annexure P-4) served by the petitioner, by passing a speaking order in a time bound manner.

Learned Counsel for the said respondent do not have any objection to the request made by learned counsel for the petitioner.

Accordingly, in view of the above; with the consent of the parties and without commenting anything on the merits of the case, the present petition is disposed of while directing respondent No.3 to consider and decide the legal notice dated 08.12.2024 (Annexure P-4) by passing a reasoned and speaking order after affording an opportunity of hearing to the respective parties within a period of four months of the receipt of certified copy of this order.

Needless to mention that upon considering the said legal notice, if any amount is found due and payable to the petitioner, the same shall be disbursed in his favour within a further period of two months.

Petition stands disposed of accordingly.

FEBRUARY 17, 2025.

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**(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No