

**CWP-5244-2025****1****IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH****(121)****CWP-5244-2025****Date of Decision : February 25, 2025****Baljit Singh****.. Petitioner****Versus****State of Punjab and others****.. Respondents****CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI**

Present: Mr. Kehar Singh Hissowal, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. T.P.S. Chawla, Sr. Deputy Advocate General, Punjab.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI J. (ORAL)

1. In the present writ petition, the prayer of the petitioner is that along with salary, the petitioner was entitled for the grant of dearness allowance, which has not been granted to him hence, the respondents are liable to be directed to pay the arrears of dearness allowance which the petitioner is entitled to as per the settled principle of law.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the grievance raised in the present petition has already been raised by the petitioner in the legal notice dated 17.12.2024 (Annexure P-3) which is still pending consideration with the respondents and the petitioner will be satisfied at this stage in case a time bound direction is issued to the respondents to decide the said legal notice by passing an appropriate speaking order.

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3. Notice of motion.

4. Mr. T.P.S. Chawla, learned Sr. Deputy Advocate General, Punjab, who is present in the Court, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents.

5. Learned counsel for the respondents submits that in case the legal notice dated 17.12.2024 (Annexure P-3) has been received in the office of the concerned authorities and the same is still pending consideration with the authorities concerned, the same will be decided by the competent authority within a period of eight weeks from the date of the receipt of certified copy of this order by passing an appropriate speaking order and in case, after the decision any relief is to be extended to the petitioner, the same will be extended, otherwise due reasons will be mentioned in the speaking order to be passed for not accepting the claim of the petitioner for his information and necessary action.

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

7. Ordered accordingly.

February 25, 2025*harsha***(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)****JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes

Whether reportable : No