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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CWP-1546 of 2021

Date of decision: 25.03.2026

Vikas Sodhi

.... Petitioner

Vs.

District & Sessions Judge, Tarn Taran and another

.... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDEEP TIWARI

Present: Ms. Vishal Sodhi, Advocate,
for the petitioner.
Mr. Kanwal Goyal, Advocate,
for respondent No.1.
Mr. Amit Kumar Goyal, Addl. A.G. Punjab.

KULDEEP TIWARI, J (Oral)

1. Through the present petition, filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India, the petitioner seeks a direction to the respondents to release the retiral benefits along with interest at the rate of 9% per annum from the date it became due.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that during the pendency of the instant petition, the pension and gratuity have already been released, and the only surviving issue is with regard to the payment of interest on the delayed disbursement.

3. This Court has considered the submissions made by the learned counsel for the parties.

4. Since this issue requires consideration, in the first instance, by the competent authorities, the present petition is **disposed of** with liberty to the petitioner to submit a representation before the concerned authorities claiming interest on the delayed payment. In the event such a representation is filed within 30 days from today, the authorities shall make an endeavour to decide the same within a period of three months thereafter.

**(KULDEEP TIWARI)
JUDGE**

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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether reportable	:	Yes/No