

"In support of the above observations, the Division Bench also placed reliance on Banerjee case (supra), we are afraid, the Division Bench was not correct in coming to the conclusion that being a reward for unblemished past service, Government servant retiring on the last day of the month would also be entitled for increment even after such increment is due after retirement. We have already made reference to all Rules governing the situation. There is no warrant to come to such conclusion. Increment is given (See Article 43 of CS Regulations) as a periodical rise to a Government employee for the good behavior in the service. Such increment is possible only when the appointment is "Progressive Appointment" and it is not a universal rule. Further, as per Rule 14 of the Pension Rules, a

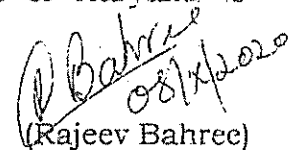
person is entitled for pay, increment and other allowances only when he is entitled to receive pay from out of Consolidated Fund of India and continues to be in Government service. A person who retires on the last working day would not be entitled for any increment falling due on the next day and payable next day thereafter (See Article 151 of CS Regulations), because he would not answer the tests in these Rules. Reliance placed on Banerjee case (supra) is also in our considered opinion not correct because as observed by us, Banerjee case (supra) does not deal with increment, but deals with enhancement of DA by the Central Government to pensioners. Therefore, we are not able to accept the view taken by the Division Bench. We accordingly, overrule the judgment in Malakondalah case (supra)."

2.4 In addition, subsequent to the judgment of Hon'ble High Court of Madras in P. Ayyamperumal case, Hon'ble CAT Madras Bench vide its Orders dated 19.03.2019 in O.A.No.310/00309/2019 and O.A. No.310/00312/2019 and Order dated 27.03.2019 in O.A. No.310/00026/2019 has also dismissed the similar requests related with notional increment for pensionary benefits.

2.5 The Hon'ble Supreme Court, vide judgment dated 29.03.2019, while dismissing the SLP (C) Dy. No.6468/2019 filed by D/o- Telecommunications against the judgment dated 03.05.2017 of Hon'ble High Court, Lucknow Bench in WP No.484/2010 in the matter of UOI & Ors. Vs. Sakha Ram Tripathy & Ors., has *inter-alia* observed the following:

*"There is delay of 566 days in filing the special leave petition. We do not see any reason to condone the delay. The Special leave petition is dismissed on delay, **keeping all the questions of law open.**"*

3. In the light of above observations, The Government of Haryana is requested to take further appropriate action.


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