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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

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Date of decision: 02.09.2026

Vimal Deep

....Petitioner

Vs.

Sakatar Singh Bal, PCS

....Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSH BUNGER

Present: Mr. Pawan Kumar Goklaney, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Nirmaljit Singh Diwana, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

HARSH BUNGER J. (Oral)

1. Present contempt petition has been filed under Section 12 of the Contempt of Courts Act, 1971, alleging non-compliance of the order dated 16.03.2026 (Annexure P-1) passed by this Court in CWP-7869-2026, whereby the following direction had been issued:-

“6. Without going into the merits of the case at this stage, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 to consider and decide legal notice dated 12.12.2025 (Annexure P-1) submitted by the petitioner expeditiously, by passing a speaking order after affording an opportunity of hearing to the petitioner, preferably within a period of 03 months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order. Further, the decision taken thereon shall be conveyed to the petitioner. Needless to say, if the petitioner is found entitled to the relief sought, the same shall be granted to him within a period of 01 month thereafter.”

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2. Today, short reply by way of an affidavit dated 02.09.2026 of Sh. Sakatar Singh Bal, Director, School Education (SE), Punjab, on behalf of respondent is filed by learned State counsel in Court today, which is taken on record, subject to all just exceptions. A copy thereof is also handed over to learned counsel for the petitioner, in Court today itself.

3. Learned State counsel has referred to the paragraph Nos.4 and 5 of the aforesaid reply, which reads as under:-

“4. That in compliance with the aforesaid order, the department has passed a well reasoned speaking order dated 19.08.2026. Copy of the speaking order is annexed hereto as Annexure R-1 for the kind consideration of the Hon'ble Court. It is further submitted that as a consequence thereof, the P.P.O has also been issued which has been duly received by the Petitioner. Copy of P.P.O is annexed hereto as Annexure R-2 and copy of receipt of petitioner is annexed hereto as Annexure R-3 for the kind consideration of the Hon'ble Court.

5. That it is further submitted that vide order dated 27.08.2026 issued by Director School Education (S) SAS Nagar. Grant of salary for the period 01.04.2024 to 31.03.2025 and 01.04.2025 to 31.10.2025 has been released for Model Middle School Dhariwal, Gurdaspur of Rs. 2,86,545/- (Rs. Two Lakh Eighty Six Thousand Five Hundred Forty Five Only) and Rs. 9,79,684/- (Rs. Nine Lakh Seventy Nine Thousand Six Hundred Eighty Four Only) respectively. Out of which pay of the petitioner will be released by the management of the concerned school. Copy of orders dated 27.08.2026 is annexed hereto as Annexure R-4 for kind consideration of the Hon'ble Court.”

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4. Learned State Counsel submits that the directions issued by this Court vide order dated 16.03.2026 (Annexure P-1), stands complied with, by way of passing of the speaking order dated 19.08.2026 (attached as Annexure R-1 with the aforesaid reply). He further submits that, as a consequence of the aforesaid speaking order dated 19.08.2026, even the PPO (attached as Annexure R-2 with the aforesaid reply) stands issued.

4.1 He further submits that since the directions issued by this Court vide order dated 16.03.2026 (Annexure P-1) stands complied with, therefore, nothing survives in the instant petition.

5. On the other hand, learned counsel appearing for the petitioner has not disputed the aforesaid stand taken by learned State counsel, however, he submits that if any of the grievances of the petitioner still remains unaddressed, petitioner may be granted liberty to avail his remedies, in accordance with law (if so advised).

6. In view of the above, no further order is required to be passed and the present contempt petition is disposed of by granting liberty to the petitioner to avail his legal remedies, in accordance with law (if so advised), if any of his grievances still remain unaddressed.

7. All the pending application(s), if any, shall also stand closed.

(HARSH BUNGER)
JUDGE

02.09.2026*Ankit*

Whether speaking/reasoned:
Whether reportable:

Yes/No
Yes/No