

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

DATE OF DECISION: MAY 25, 2015

Meena Kumari

.....Petitioner

VERSUS

Government of India, New Delhi and others

....Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASI

1. Whether Reporters of local papers may be allowed to see the judgement?
2. To be referred to the Reporters or not?
3. Whether the judgment should be reported in the Digest?

Present: Mr. Amardeep Singh Gill, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASI, J. (ORAL)

Counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner has been penalised by order dated 16.10.2014 (Annexure P-28), which was communicated by letter dated 12.11.2014 (Annexure-29), vide which three years ban has been recommended on the petitioner and she has been restrained from participating in any weightlifting competition/activity as an athlete, coach or in any other capacity.

An appeal was filed by the petitioner on 18.03.2015 (Annexure P-30), which has been numbered as Appeal No.1 of 2015. Though the petitioner had approached the respondents numerous times but every time she has been informed that the matter is being put up before the Executive Committee of the Indian Weightlifting Federation. However, till date, the Appellate Board has not been constituted. In this regard, he has referred to

the communications dated 19.03.2015 and 10.04.2015 (Annexures P-32 and P-35 respectively). He contends that because of non-disposal of the appeal of the petitioner, she is neither being permitted to participate in any event nor is she getting any benefit as far as promotion with her employer is concerned.

Counsel contends that the petitioner, at this stage, would be satisfied if a direction is issued to respondent Nos.3 to 5 to consider and decide Appeal No.1 of 2015, dated 18.03.2015 (Annexure P-30) filed by the petitioner, within some specified time.

In view of the statement made by the counsel for the petitioner and without going into the merits of the case or commenting thereon, the present writ petition is disposed of with directions to respondent Nos.3 to 5 to consider and decide the application for stay, as moved by the petitioner, within a period of one month from the date of receipt of certified copy of the order and further Appeal No.1 of 2015, dated 18.03.2015 (Annexure P-30) of the petitioner be decided within a period of three months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order. Decision so taken be conveyed to the petitioner forthwith.

Copy of the order be given *dasti* to counsel for the petitioner under the signatures of Special Secretary of this Court.

May 25, 2015
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(AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH)
JUDGE