

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

Sr. No.158

CWP No.11554 of 2015

Date of decision: 28.05.2015

Paras Kumar

....Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK SIBAL

Present: Mr. Aalok Jagga, Advocate
for the petitioner.

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DEEPAK SIBAL, J. (Oral)

Against the order of punishment of dismissal dated 29.05.2013, the petitioner is stated to have filed a statutory appeal before respondent No.2-Appellate Authority, Punjab State Civil Supplies Corporation Limited (hereinafter referred to as the 'Corporation').

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that the statutory appeal was filed on 10.06.2013, but even after a passage of nearly two years, the same remains undecided.

Statutory appeals should be decided within the time frame as provided in the applicable Rules/Regulations/Statute and if no time frame has been provided, then the same should be heard and decided within a reasonable time. The period of two years, with no stretch of imagination can be considered to be reasonable.

In view of the above, I consider it just and appropriate to direct respondent No.2 -Corporation to decide the appeal (Annexure P-3) filed by the petitioner against the punishment order dated 29.05.2013

meted out to him by passing a speaking order and after affording opportunity of hearing to the petitioner, preferably within three months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order.

Needless to add that the decision so taken be communicated to the petitioner and if the decision is not to the satisfaction of the petitioner, he would be at liberty to challenge the same, in accordance with law.

(DEEPAK SIBAL)
JUDGE

May 28, 2015
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