

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

**CWP No. 23729 of 2015
Date of decision: November 5, 2015**

Ajmer Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

Union of India and ors.

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE HARINDER SINGH SIDHU

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Present: - Mr. Rakesh Gupta, Advocate
for the petitioner.

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HARINDER SINGH SIDHU, J.

On the oral request of learned counsel for the petitioner in place of Divisional Railway Manager (3rd), Northern Railways, Ambala, respondent No.3 be read as 'Senior Divisional Engineer (3rd), Ambala' in the memo of parties.

The petitioner was employed in the Indian Railways having been appointed as 4th Class Employee in the year 1981. He served the department for 34 years.

Vide order dated 12.2.2015 passed by Assistant Divisional Engineer, Northern Railway Saharanpur, the petitioner was removed from service with immediate effect.

Aggrieved against the impugned order, the petitioner filed an appeal before respondent No.3 within the stipulated period i.e. 45 days from the receipt of copy of the order in question. Despite submission of reminder by the petitioner on 5.6.2015 (Annexure P-2), no decision has been taken thereon so far.

The limited prayer of the petitioner in this writ petition is that a direction be issued to respondent No.3 to decide the said statutory appeal expeditiously.

In view of the above, this writ petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.3 to decide the statutory appeal dated 1.4.2015 (Annexure P-1) expeditiously, preferably within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order.

5.11.2015
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(HARINDER SINGH SIDHU)
JUDGE