

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

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**CWP No.3749 of 2015
Date of Decision:02.03.2015**

Satpal Singh

....petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE ARUN PALLI

Present: Mr.P.K.Dwivedi, Advocate
for the petitioner

ARUN PALLI, J.(ORAL):-

Notice of motion.

Mr.Anshul Gupta, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab, present in the Court, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents. Copy of the petition has been supplied to learned State counsel. The kind of an order, I propose to pass in the present case, no formal response from the respondents, is required at this stage.

The petitioner, who is engaged as a Conductor in the Punjab Roadways, Ferozepur, had represented to respondent No.2, seeking correction in his seniority position in the seniority list of Conductors, maintained in the Head office. Vide order dated 10.02.2015 (Annexure P4), the said representation has since been rejected and the order reads as thus:

“To

*The General Manager,
Punjab Roadways, Ferozepur
No.3A3/2541,
Dated, Chandigarh:10.02.2015*

Subject: Seniority case of Sh.Satpal Singh, C.No.309, Punjab Roadways, Ferozepur.

On the above mentioned subject and in reference to your Office Letter No.5724/ECC dated 24.12.2012.

The representation made by Sh.Satpal Singh, C.No.309, Punjab Roadways, Ferozepur seeking seniority has been consigned to the Record Room after consideration by the Hon'ble Director. The concerned employee be informed in this regard."

Ex facie, the aforesaid order is cryptic as no reason is assigned, in support thereof. Accordingly, without expressing any opinion on merits, the same is set aside, on this score alone. And the competent authority i.e.respondent No.2, is directed to reconsider the claim of the petitioner, in accordance with law, and pass an order afresh, after affording an opportunity of hearing to the petitioner, within a period of three months, from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order. Needless to assert, a comprehensive order shall be passed assigning reasons in support of the decision arrived at.

The petition stands disposed of.

02.03.2015

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(ARUN PALLI)
JUDGE