

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

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**CWP-6338-2015 (O&M)
Date of decision: 31.05.2016**

S.P.Singh

....Petitioner

Versus

Oriental Bank of Commerce and others

.... Respondents

CORAM: Hon'ble Mr. Justice P.B. Bajanthri

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

Present: Mr. Aayush Gupta, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Satyawar Singh, Advocate for the respondents.

P.B. Bajanthri, J. (Oral)

In the instant writ petition, the petitioner has questioned various orders in respect of disciplinary proceedings like chargesheet, Inquiring Officer's report and final order etc. Against the penalty order the petitioner has remedy of appeal before the appellate authority. Without exhausting the remedy of appeal, he has approached this Court.

On 11.10.2014 petitioner was punished in a departmental inquiry under Regulation 43 of Oriental Bank of Commerce (Employees) Pension Regulations, 1995 by imposing the penalty of withdrawal of 20% of the pension for a period of 12 months. Petitioner has an alternative remedy of appeal under Regulation 17 Oriental Bank of Commerce Officer Employees (Discipline and Appeal) Regulations, 1982.

In view of the remedy of appeal provisions, the present petition is premature.

Petition is disposed of directing the petitioner to prefer an appeal before the Appellate Authority by filing necessary application for condonation of delay. If such application and appeal is submitted the Appellate Authority is directed to consider, in accordance with law, within a period of 4 months from the date of filing of the same.

31.05.2016

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**(P.B.BAJANTHRI)
JUDGE**