

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

(1)

LPA No. 1635 of 2015

Bali Singh

.... APPELLANT

Versus

Presiding Officer, Industrial Tribunal, and another

.... RESPONDENTS

(2)

LPA No. 1636 of 2015

Santokh Singh

.... APPELLANT

Versus

Presiding Officer, Industrial Tribunal, and another

.... RESPONDENTS

DATE OF DECISION : 08.01.2016

CORAM :- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SATISH KUMAR MITTAL

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARINDER SINGH SIDHU

Present : Mr. Randeep Singh Waraich, Advocate, for
Mr. Manmeet Singh Rana, Advocate,
for the appellant (in both the appeals).

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SATISH KUMAR MITTAL, J. (Oral)

This order shall dispose of LPA Nos. 1635 and 1636 of 2015
filed by two workmen, namely Bali Singh and Santokh Singh, respectively,,
against the common order dated 10.09.2015 passed by the learned Single
Judge, whereby two separate writ petitions (CWP Nos. 16094 and 16111 of
2015) filed by the appellants challenging the award dated 09.03.2000

rendered by the Presiding Officer, Industrial Tribunal, Punjab, Chandigarh, have been dismissed, while observing that the award dated 09.03.2000 was challenged after 15 years without furnishing any reasonable explanation. It has also been noticed that the Labour Court decided the reference against the workmen because they had sought the reference after 23 years of termination of their services. In these facts, we are of the opinion that the learned Single Judge, while relying upon a decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in Nedungadi Bank Limited Vs. K.P. Madhavankutty and others, (2000) 2 SCC 455, has rightly dismissed the writ petitions filed by the appellants – workmen.

Dismissed.

**(SATISH KUMAR MITTAL)
JUDGE**

January 08, 2016
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**(HARINDER SINGH SIDHU)
JUDGE**