

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

**LPA No. 1708 of 2015 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 20.5.2016**

Paramjit Singh

.....Appellant.

v.

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents.

**CORAM: - Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rajesh Bindal.
Hon'ble Mr. Justice Harinder Singh Sidhu**

Present: Mr. Naveen Sheokand, Advocate for the appellant.

Rajesh Bindal, J.

Challenge in the present appeal is to the order passed by the learned Single Judge on 27.8.2015 dismissing the writ petition on the ground of delay and laches. Learned Single Judge noticed that the writ petition was filed after more than 1-1/2 decades for impugning the order dated 26.7.1999 by filing the writ petition in the year 2015. The order passed by the learned Single Judge has been impugned on the ground that delay in filing the writ petition should not come in the way of the appellant to grant him substantial relief.

However, we do not find the argument to be acceptable. It has consistently been opined by the Courts that delay in seeking remedy is fatal. Here the delay is inordinate as the order impugned in writ petition filed in the year 2015 is dated 26.7.1999. Reference can be made to the judgment of this court in Umed Singh v. State of Haryana, 2015(2) PLR 400.

In view of the brief facts noticed above and the opinion expressed by the learned Single Judge, we do not find any merit in the present appeal. Accordingly, the same is dismissed. The accompanying application for condonation of delay in filing the appeal is also dismissed.

(Rajesh Bindal)
Judge

(Harinder Singh Sidhu)
Judge

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