

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

**LPA no. 254 of 2016 (O&M)
Date of Decision :12.07.2016**

Jagjit Singh

....Appellant(s)

Versus

The Punjab State Cooperative Bank Ltd. and others

...Respondent(s)

**CORAM : HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE MAHESH GROVER
HON'BLE MR JUSTICE RAJ MOHAN SINGH**

Present : Mr. Raj Kaushik, Advocate for the appellant

MAHESH GROVER, J.

This appeal is directed against the judgment of the learned Single Judge dated 18.11.2015. The appellant – workman was employed against a scheme and on its extinguishment, the services of the appellant were terminated. The appellant, however, refuted this fact to contend that the scheme continued for a period of two more years after his alleged termination. The Industrial Tribunal accepted the reference claimed by the appellant and in the writ petition preferred by the Punjab State Cooperative Bank Limited, learned Single Judge observed that since the employment was under the World Bank Scheme which had been terminated, the relationship of employee and employer would also necessarily stand concluded.

However, during the course of pendency of the writ petition the appellant – workman had been allowed the benefits of Section 17-B and thus he continued to draw the benefits of his last drawn salary under the orders of this Court and while disposing of the writ petition these amounts were held to be non-recoverable.

Since it has been concluded that the World Bank Scheme stood concluded, the appellant cannot make a grievance of his termination as it has been rightly observed by the learned Single Judge that on cessation of the scheme, relationship of employee and employer would obviously stand severed. The interest of the appellant has also been subserved as the amounts released to him under Section 17-B have been held to be non-recoverable. Therefore, there is no prejudice or justiciable cause left with the appellant to espouse in the present appeal which is accordingly dismissed.

(Mahesh Grover)
Judge

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(Raj Mohan Singh)
Judge