

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA, CHANDIGARH

CWP No. 15720 of 2016 (O&M)
Date of decision : August 10, 2017

Rajni Gupta

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAKESH KUMAR JAIN

Present:- Mr. Suman Jain , Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Saurav Mohunta, DAG., Haryana.

Mr. Ashwani Gaur, Advocate
for respondent No.5.

RAKESH KUMAR JAIN, J (oral).

This petition is filed for seeking a direction to the respondents for quashing the allotment of H.No. 239 Type IV, Sector 14-A, Panchkula and vacate the same immediately and also for quashing the Press accreditation card.

Counsel for the State has produced a communication received from the Director, Information, Public Relations & Languages, Haryana bearing No. IPRDH (Press)-2017/2403 dated 19.6.2017. The contents of the letter reads as under:-

“From

*The Director,
Information, Public Relations & Languages,
Haryana.*

To

*Sh. Chander Shekhar Dharni,
H.No.239, Sector 14-A,
Panchkula.*

No. IPRDH (Press)-2017/2403

Dated Chandigarh, the 19.6.17.

*Sub: **Regarding cancellation of press accreditation.***

Reference your letter No. nil dated 13.6.2017 on the subject cited above.

As you have resigned from MH One News channel, your press accreditation from this news channel has been cancelled. You are also requested to return the free travel pass book, accreditation card and secretariat entry card immediately.

*Additional Director (Press),
for Director, Information, Public Relations &
Languages, Haryana.*

Endst. No. IPRDH(Press)-2017/2404-06 Dated 19.6.17

A copy of above is forwarded to for information and necessary action.

- 1. The Secretary, House Allotment Committee, Haryana, Nirman Sadan, Sector-33, Chandigarh.*
- 2. The General Manager, Haryana Roadways, Chandigarh.*
- 3. The Editor, MH One News, 6-SSI, Industrial Area, GT Karnal Road, Delhi.*

*Additional Director (Press)
for Director,
Information, Public Relations &
Languages, Haryana.”*

Counsel for the petitioner has submitted that although the accreditation card of respondent No.4 has been cancelled but he is still keeping the aforesaid house in Panchkula. In this regard, counsel for the State has submitted that copy of the letter has been sent to the Secretary, House Allotment Committee, Haryana for information and necessary action.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties and after perusing the record, am of the considered opinion that since the accreditation card of respondent No.4 has been cancelled, therefore, one prayer of the counsel for the petitioner for quashing the accreditation card issued to respondent No.4 on 27.10.2010 has been taken into consideration. Insofar as, the other prayer with regard to cancellation of allotment and vacation of the house is

concerned, counsel for the State has submitted that since his accreditation card has been cancelled, therefore the house allotted to him shall also be cancelled for which the competent authority would take a decision.

It is needless to mention here that since the accreditation card of respondent No.4 has been cancelled therefore, he has no right to retain the house in question because it was allotted to him only because he was given the accreditation card by the State of Haryana, therefore the house allotted to respondent No.4 be cancelled forthwith and necessary action for the purpose of vacation of the house be taken immediately.

With these observations the present writ petition is disposed of.

(RAKESH KUMAR JAIN)
JUDGE

August 10, 2017
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Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether Reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No