

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

**CWP-13688-2017
Date of Decision: 03.07.2017**

Karamjeet Singh Bhullar

--Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

--Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA.

Present:- Ms. Gurjeet Kaur, Advocate for the petitioner.

TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J.

Pleadings on record would indicate that the petitioner who has served on the post of Assistant Superintendent of Jail had approached the Director General of Police to take action against Sh. Rajpal Meena ADGP, Jails (Retd.) and Lakhwinder Singh Jakhar, Deputy Inspector General Prison, Punjab for non-compliance and violation of Canteen Rules, 1965, with regard to purchase of canteen stores worth ₹100 crores approximately.

Petitioner earlier approached this Court by filing CWP No. 3158 of 2017 and which was disposed of by a Coordinate Bench in the light of order dated 20.02.2017 with a direction to the official respondents to take a final decision on the representation filed by the petitioner expeditiously and in any case within a period of four months from the date of receipt of the representation.

Instant petition has been filed raising grievance that even though the petitioner had associated with an enquiry marked and entrusted to Sh. R.C. Nayyar Senior IAS Officer (Retd.) and having also handed over the entire record to him which was in possession of the petitioner, still he was being forced to associate with yet another parallel enquiry proceedings in the light of

communication dated 24.05.2017 issued by the Inspector General of Police, India Reserve Battalion, Punjab, Patiala (Annexure P-5).

Contention raised by counsel was that on the same set of allegations, two parallel enquiry proceedings would not be permissible.

The matter was taken up in the pre-lunch session and Mr. Avinit Avasthi, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab was requested to complete instructions in the matter. Hearing in the petition was accordingly deferred.

Upon resumed hearing, Mr. Avinit Avasthi, on instructions from D.K. Sidhu, AIG (Prisons) clarified that in the light of order dated 08.06.2017, the enquiry that earlier been entrusted to Mr. R.C. Nayyar, Senior IAS Officer (Retd.) but thereafter has been marked to Sh. Amar Singh Chahal, IPS, IGP, IRB Patiala and under the supervision of Mr. Hardeep Singh Dhillon, IPS, DGP, IVC and Human Rights, Punjab. Even the requisite order dated 08.06.2017 in such regard and in vernacular has been made available for perusal of this Court. Copy of the same has also been furnished to counsel for the petitioner.

In the light of such clarification, the grievance raised by the petitioner as regards two parallel proceedings being undertaken on the same set of allegations is completely unfounded. Confronted with such a situation, counsel for the petitioner prays for withdrawal of this petition.

Dismissed as withdrawn.

(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE

03.07.2017

Divyanshi

Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether reportable	:	Yes/No