

IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATES OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CWP No.25013 of 2017

Date of Decision: November 03, 2017

Raj Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMOL RATTAN SINGH

Present:- Mr. Surender Pal, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Amol Rattan Singh, J. (Oral)

The petitioner was chargesheeted on 06.05.2015, while he was working as a 'Forest Darogah' in the respondent-department, with the enquiry officer having submitted his enquiry report on 01.09.2015. Thereafter, the petitioner retired from the service on 31.03.2016, but due to the pendency of the chargesheet, with no further proceedings having been taken, including any decision on the enquiry report, the petitioner has been denied his gratuity and leave encashment.

He points to the fact that even the Conservator Forests, West Circle, Haryana, has addressed a letter to the 2nd respondent, i.e. the Principal Chief Conservator Forest-cum-Managing Director, Haryana Forest Development Corporation, on 03.01.2017 (Annexure P-2), requesting that a decision on the petitioners' case be taken.

Consequently, this petition is disposed of with a direction to the competent authority amongst the respondent to take a decision on the disciplinary proceedings pending against the petitioner, within a period of 2

months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order.

The competent authority is also reminded of the instructions of the Chief Secretary to the Government of Haryana, directing that the enquiry proceedings should be completed within one year of their initiation itself.

November 03, 2017
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(Amol Rattan Singh)
Judge

Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes
Whether reportable:	No