

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

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**CWP No. 6903 of 2016 (O&M)**

**Date of decision: 15.05.2017**

**Lal Singh**

**...PETITIONER**

**VERSUS**

**The Punjab State Supply and Marketing Federation Ltd., Chandigarh and  
another**

**...RESPONDENTS**

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH**

**Present: Ms. Jagdeep Bains, Advocate,  
for the petitioner.**

**Mr. Vaibhav Sharma, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab,  
for the State.**

**Mr. Mrigank Sharma, Advocate,  
for respondent No. 2.**

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**AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH, J. (ORAL)**

Petitioner has approached this Court praying for issuance of a writ of certiorari to quash the orders dated 03.03.2016 (Annexure P-8) passed by The Managing Director, MARKFED, against which the petitioner has preferred an appeal before the Appellate Authority, which is pending since 15.03.2016. Counsel for the petitioner contends that apart from the dismissal of the petitioner from service, recovery has been ordered to be effected from him.

Since the statutory appeal preferred by the petitioner is pending since 15.03.2016, it would be appropriate that the said appeal be first

order dated 03.03.2016 (Annexure P-8) passed by the Managing Director.

Counsel for the respondents was directed to seek instructions as to the period within which the appeal of the petitioner shall be decided, on which the counsel had sought telephonic instructions that the appeal shall be considered and decided by the Appellate Authority within a period of two months from today.

In view of the above, the present petition is disposed of without going into the merits of the case or commenting thereon with a direction to the Appellate Authority-respondent No. 2 to consider and decide the appeal of the petitioner dated 15.03.2016 (Annexure P-12) within a period of two months from today. It is further ordered that no further recovery shall be effected from the petitioner during the pendency of the appeal.

**May 15, 2017**  
*pj*

**(AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH)**  
**JUDGE**

**Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes**

**Whether Reportable: No**