

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

CWP No.3887 of 2017

Date of decision: December 19, 2017

Gurmilap Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJAN GUPTA

Present: Ms. Saigeeta Srivastva, Advocate as Amicus Curiae.
Ms. Lavanya Paul, AAG, Punjab.

Rajan Gupta, J.(oral)

Petitioner has questioned the action of respondents in retaining respondent No.5 in service despite conviction for offences under Section 13 of the Prevention of Corruption Act by the Special Court, Sangrur. Vide order dated November 10, 2017, an opportunity was granted to the concerned authority to file its reply. However, no response is forthcoming.

Under the circumstances, this petition is disposed of with the direction that the matter shall be considered by the Secretary, Rural Development and Panchayats, Punjab. Registry shall forward a copy of the petition to the said authority. He shall pass a speaking order treating the same as representation of the petitioner at the earliest, in any case not later than two months. A report be filed in the registry within one month thereafter.

Disposed of.

**(RAJAN GUPTA)
JUDGE**

December 19, 2017

'Rajpal'

Whether speaking / reasoned

Yes / No

Whether Reportable:

Yes / No