

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

**Civil Writ Petition No. 18090 of 2018 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 31.07.2018**

Gurlal Singh

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASWANT SINGH

Present: Mr. Bikramjit Singh Bajwa, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mrs. Anu Chatrath Kapur, Additional Advocate General, Punjab
for the respondents/State and **assisted by**
Er. Pushpkaran Chander, X.EN. Majitha Division, UBDC, Amritsar

JASWANT SINGH, J. (ORAL)

By filing the present petition, the petitioner, who is working as '*Lineman*', seeks quashing the impugned transfer order dated 16.07.2018 (**Annexure P-5**), whereby he has been transferred to a place which is 200 kms. away from his previous posting without considering his couple case.

This Court, while issuing notice of motion, as also granting interim relief/stay in favour the petitioner vide order dated 24.07.2018, had passed the following order:-

“ The petitioner is working as a Lineman in the Irrigation Department has challenged his transfer from Majithia Zone, Amritsar to Ferozepur Canal Circle vide impugned order dated 16.07.2018 (Annexure P-5). It is urged that the petitioner is the only Lineman transferred to a place which is 200 KMs away from his previous posting. It is further urged that the wife of the petitioner is stated to be employed as a teacher in a Kendriya Vidyalaya at Sikar Mashia, at Dera Baba Nanak while his son is stated to be studying in class 10th.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that the prayer is for reconsideration and readjustment of place of posting at a nearby place.

Notice of motion.

On the asking of the Court, Ms. Anu Chatrath Kapoor, Senior Advocate, Addl. AG, Punjab assisted by Ms. Anju Sharma, DAG, Punjab accepts notice.

Adjourned to 31.07.2018.

To be shown in the urgent list.

Till the next date hearing, the petitioner shall not be relieved, if not already relieved from his previous place of posting. ”

At the time of hearing, learned State Counsel, on instructions from Er. Pushpkaran Chander, X.EN. Majitha Division, UBDC, Amritsar, states that the transfer order dated 16.07.2018 **(P-5)** has been withdrawn, therefore, nothing more survives for adjudication in the present writ petition, as the same has become infructuous.

Counsel for the petitioner also concedes the aforesaid factual position and states that the present petition has become infructuous.

Dismissed as infructuous.

July 31, 2018

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**(JASWANT SINGH)
JUDGE**

<i>Whether Speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether Reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>