

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

Sr. No.102

Civil Writ Petition No.21991 of 2017
DECIDED ON: May 16, 2018

HARDEV RAJ

..PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANOTHER

...RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASPAL SINGH

Present: Mr. I.D. Singla, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

JASPAL SINGH, J.

By virtue of the instant civil writ petition preferred under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India, petitioner has sought issuance of a writ in the nature of Certiorari for quashing the impugned charge-sheet dated 18.07.2013 (P-3) and appointment of Enquiry Officer appointed vide order dated 19.05.2017 (P-4) and further proceedings as well as Enquiry Report dated 04.07.2017 (P-5) and all pending disciplinary proceedings WITH FURTHER to release his retiral benefits along with interest thereon.

2. At the very outset of arguments, it emerges that petitioner stood retired on 29.02.2016 on attaining the age of superannuation. However, prior to that, he was served with Charge-sheet dated 18.07.2013 (P-3) and proceedings can continue under the various provisions of Punjab Civil

Services. For the simple reason that petitioner stood retired is itself, no ground to quash the charge-sheet or subsequent proceedings.

3. As such, instant petition being not maintainable at this stage, is dismissed as pre-mature. However, if at all, petitioner is aggrieved of the order(s) passed on the basis of aforesaid charge-sheet and enquiry proceedings, he shall be at liberty to have recourse to other remedies available under law for redressal of his grievances and/or to approach this Court.

May 16, 2018

Ankur

(JASPAL SINGH)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes
Yes/No