

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

**CWP No. 25196 OF 2018 (O&M)
DECIDED ON : 10.12.2018**

P. C. Gupta

...Petitioner

versus

Union of India and others

...Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA

Present : Mr. M. S. Bains, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

ARUN MONGA, J. (ORAL)

CM NO. 19695 OF 2018

For the reasons mentioned in the application, same is allowed and documents i.e Annexures P-7 and P-8 are taken on record, subject to all just exceptions.

MAIN CASE

The petitioner was dismissed from service, vide impugned order dated 24.02.1999 (Annexure P-1) as upheld by the Appellate Authority, vide order dated 15.01.2016 (Annexure P-4).

Learned counsel for the petitioner, inter-alia, contends that based on same set of charges, a common enquiry was conducted against the petitioner, Junior Manager, as also one Assistant Manager and a Manager, all serving in UCO Bank.

However, while passing the order dated 22.03.1999 (Annexure P-5), the petitioner has been meted out with a punishment of termination of service, whereas the other two employees who were similarly situated, have been given lessor punishment.

On a query posed by the Court, learned counsel for the petitioner could not give any satisfactory reply on the part of delay in impugning the termination order as upheld by the Appellate Authority, neither is there any averment in the writ petition explaining such delay.

In view of the fact that the petitioner has chosen to file this petition with inordinate delay on the mere ground of seeking parity, the same is dismissed on the ground of delay. No order as to costs.

(ARUN MONGA)
JUDGE

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1. Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No
2. Whether reportable : Yes/No