

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

LPA No. 925 of 2016

Date of decision :17.10.2018

Prof. Manoj Kumar Arora

..... Appellant

Versus

Union of India and others

..... Respondents

LPA No. 928 of 2016

Date of decision :17.10.2018

Union Territory Chandigarh and others

..... Appellants

Versus

Pradeep Kumar Garg and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AJAY KUMAR MITTAL

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN

Present: Mr.R.S.Bains, Advocate for the appellant.
Mr.Survir Sehgal, Senior Standing Counsel for UT,
Chandigarh.
Mr.Raghav Goel, Advocate for
Mr.Harkesh Manuja, Advocate for UT, Chandigarh
(in LPA No.928 of 2016).
Mr.Rohit Seth, Advocate for respondent No.1 in
LPA No.928 of 2016 and respondent No.6 in LPA
No.925 of 2016.

AJAY KUMAR MITTAL, J.

1. This order shall dispose of two appeals, namely, LPA Nos.925 and 928 of 2016 as common question of law and facts are involved in these appeals. The LPA No.925 of 2016 has been filed by the appellant Prof. Manoj Kumar Arora, whereas, LPA No.928 of 2016 has been filed by appellant Union Territory, Chandigarh and others. For brevity, the facts are being taken from LPA No.925 of 2016.

2. A challenge is made to the order dated 19.5.2016 passed by learned Single Judge in CWP No.8154 of 2014 whereby the appellant's appointment and selection as Director, PEC University of Technology, Chandigarh has been quashed and declared as void ab initio.

3. Learned counsel appearing for the appellant(s) submitted that the appellant-Prof. Manoj Kumar Arora has since resigned from the post of Director, Punjab Engineering College (Deemed to be University), Chandigarh and has been relieved from his duties with effect from 15.10.2018 vide order dated 31.8.2018. A copy of the said order passed by the Administrator, Union Territory, Chandigarh has been produced and the same is taken on record.

4. In view of the above, it was urged that the appeals have been rendered infructuous and may be disposed of as such.

5. Ordered accordingly.

(AJAY KUMAR MITTAL)
JUDGE

October 17, 2018
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(AVNEESH JHINGAN)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:
Whether Reportable:

Yes/No
Yes / No