

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

**LPA No.1124 of 2018 (O&M)
Date of Decision :16.08.2018**

Darshan Singh

.....Appellant

Versus

**The Chairman-cum-Managing Director, Punjab State Power
Corporation Ltd. and others**

..... Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE KRISHNA MURARI, CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE ARUN PALLI, JUDGE**

Present : Ms. Tuneet Walia, Advocate for the appellant.

KRISHNA MURARI, CHIEF JUSTICE (Oral):

This is an *intra court* appeal under Clause-X of the letters patent filed by the appellant-petitioner is directed against the judgment and order of the learned Single Judge dated 02.04.2018, whereby the claim made by him to extend the benefit of promotional increment in view of certain circulars issued by the respondents in 2011, has been negated by the learned Single Judge on the ground that the claim has been made after about 20 years and 6 months of the accrual of the cause of action.

Admittedly, the appellant-petitioner retired on 30.09.2007, on attaining the age of superannuation. No steps whatsoever were ever taken by the appellant-petitioner before filing of the writ petition in February 2018, when he made a representation/legal notice and approached this Court seeking a direction for decision of the same.

Since the petitioner kept sleeping over his rights for a very

long period his claim was not liable to be entertained and has rightly been rejected by the learned Single Judge. While rejecting the claim of the petitioner on the ground of delay and laches reliance has been placed by the learned Single Judge on the judgment of the Hon'ble Apex Court in the case of **Jagdish Lal Vs. State of Haryana, (1997) 6 SCC 538**. Learned counsel for the appellant-petitioner, during the course of argument, has failed to point out either any factual error in the judgment of the learned Single Judge or any other illegality nor we are able to find out any illegality after going through the same. Thus, the impugned judgment does not call for any interference. The appeal being devoid of merit stands dismissed.

(KRISHNA MURARI)
CHIEF JUSTICE

(ARUN PALLI)
JUDGE

16.08.2018

Manoj Bhutani

Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No