

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

LPA No. 646 of 2018 (O&M)
in CWP No. 6145 of 2018 (O&M)

Date of decision: 23.5.2018

Balwant Singh

.. Petitioner

VS

Dakshin Haryana Bijli Vitran Nigam and others

.. Respondents

**Coram: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rajesh Bindal
Hon'ble Mr. Justice Deepak Sibal**

Present: Mr. Puneet Gupta, Advocate, for the appellant.

Rajesh Bindal, J.

Order passed by the learned Single Judge disposing of the writ petition filed by the appellant has been impugned by filing the present intra-court appeal.

In the case in hand, the appellant was charge-sheeted. Enquiry was held. Vide letter dated 6.1.2018, the Managing Director issued show cause notice to the appellant supplying the copy of the enquiry report before any punishment is inflicted.

The grievance sought to be raised by learned counsel for the appellant was that appointing authority of the appellant is the Board of Directors and the Managing Director of the Nigam is not competent to inflict punishment. In our view, it is premature to accept that argument as till date no authority other than which is competent to inflict punishment, as per the applicable rules, has imposed any punishment upon the appellant.

There is no error in the order passed by the learned Single Judge. The appeal is accordingly dismissed.

(Rajesh Bindal)
Judge

23.5.2018
vs

(Deepak Sibal)
Judge

Whether speaking/ reasoned
Whether Reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No