

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

**CWP-265-2019 (O&M)
Date of Decision:10.01.2019**

Harish Pal

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab & others

... Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA.

Present: Mr. Harminder Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

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TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J. (ORAL)

The instant writ petition is directed against the order dated 28.08.2017 passed by the District Controller, Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs, Pathankot (Annexure P-3) and whereby the supply of essential commodities to the Depot held by the present petitioner on license No.PTK/PDS-03/1 has been suspended.

Having heard counsel for the petitioner at length, no interference in the matter would be warranted at this stage.

Pleadings on record would show that after passing of the impugned order, the petitioner had approached the District Controller, Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs, Pathankot vide representation dated 13.09.2017 (Annexure P-4) claiming that he had not been granted any opportunity of hearing and neither was any show cause notice served upon him prior to passing of the order dated 28.08.2017 (Annexure P-3). In response, the respondent/authorities issued memo dated 03.10.2017 directing the petitioner to appear in person on 10.10.2017 to put forth his defence.

The categoric submission made by counsel is that the petitioner

had duly appeared before the District Controller on 10.10.2017 and got his statement recorded but till date no final decision in the matter has been taken.

In view of the above and without going into the merits of the case, the instant writ petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 i.e. the District Controller, Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs, Pathankot to take a final decision in the matter expeditiously and in any case within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order.

Disposed of.

10.01.2019

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(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE

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| i) | Whether speaking/reasoned? | Yes/No |
| ii) | Whether reportable? | Yes/No |