

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

**CWP NO. 1570 of 1996(O&M)
Date of Decision: 10.04.2019**

V.K. Bhardwaj

... Petitioner

versus

Pepsu Road Transport Corporation & Ors.

... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA

Present : None for the petitioner.

Mr. Abhaypal Singh Gill, AAG Punjab.

ARUN MONGA, J.

1. There is no appearance on behalf of the petitioner nor any request has been made on his behalf. This petition is lying admitted since 1997. On 11.07.2011 this Court had sought information from the learned counsel for the petitioner to apprise whether any cause of action survives in the petition, but no assistance has been rendered. I find no justification in keeping the matter pending. I have carefully gone through the paper-book containing the pleadings and the documents appended in support thereto and heard the learned State counsel.

2. Two fold prayer has been made by the petitioner in the instant writ petition. Firstly, he has challenged the promotion order dated 13.04.1995(Annexure P-3) by which respondent No.2 was promoted as

General Manager and secondly, he has sought for issuance of directions to the official respondents to finalize the service regulations of the Corporation to uniformly and fairly govern the service conditions of appointment and service of the Officers of the Corporation, in exercise of powers under Section 45 of the Road Transport Corporation Act, 1950.

3. A perusal of file would reveal that during pendency of the writ petition, respondent No.2 stood retired from service and on the request of learned counsel for the petitioner, his name was struck off from the array of parties. In this view of the matter, the claim of the petitioner challenging the promotion of respondent No.2 has become infructuous.

4. So far as second prayer of the petitioner to finalize the draft rules governing the service conditions of employees is concerned, I am in agreement with the plea of learned State counsel that this prayer has also become redundant with the enactment of different legislation, during these two decades, which are now governing the appointments and service conditions of employees of Corporation.

5. In the considered opinion of this Court, nothing survives for adjudication in the instant writ petition. The same is accordingly dismissed.

No order as to costs.

(ARUN MONGA)
JUDGE

April 10, 2019

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1. Whether speaking/ reasoned: Yes/ No

2. Whether reportable: Yes/ No