

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

**CWP-17202-2020(O&M)
Date of Decision: 15.10.2020**

Ram Niwas Tehsildar (Sales)

..... Petitioner

versus

State of Haryana and another

..... Respondents

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

Present: Mr.Ranjit Saini, Advocate for the petitioner.

TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J. (ORAL)

This case has been taken up through Video Conferencing via Webex facility in the light of Pandemic Covid-19 situation and as per instructions.

As per pleadings on record petitioner was holding the post of Tehsildar (Sales) and retired on 28.02.2019 upon attaining the age of superannuation. He was served with a chargesheet on the date of retirement itself raising certain charges/allegations pertaining to acts and omissions committed by him during the period 20th December, 2010 to 19th July, 2011 while he was posted as Tehsildar (Sales), Ambala. Petitioner furnished a detailed reply to the chargesheet immediately. One T.K.Sharma, IAS (Retd.) was appointed as Enquiry Officer.

Counsel has referred to Annexures P-3 and P-4 appended along with the petition to contend that the Enquiry Officer has since submitted his report dated 07.10.2019 and as per which none of the charges formulated against the petitioner has been proved.

The short grievance raised in the instant petition is that the departmental proceedings initiated against the petitioner have till date not been finalised inspite of enquiry findings having been returned by the Enquiry Officer way back in October, 2019 and consequently even certain admissible retiral benefits have been withheld. Short prayer is for finalisation of the departmental proceedings and for release of the retiral benefits.

Notice of motion.

Mr.Sharan Sethi, learned Addl.AG, Haryana accepts notice on behalf of respondents No. 1 and 2 and waives service.

A complete copy of the writ petition already stands furnished.

Mr. Sharan Sethi, learned Addl.AG, Haryana states that the departmental proceedings that are currently pending against the petitioner would be finalised in accordance with law as also expeditiously and in any case within a period of two months from today. The final decision would thereafter be conveyed to the petitioner.

Statement of learned State counsel is accepted.

No further directions are required to be passed.

Petition is disposed of.

(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether Reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No