

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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CWP No. 2041 of 2021

Date of Decision: 29th January, 2021

Vikram Singh

....Petitioner

VERSUS

State of Haryana and others

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ALKA SARIN

Present: Mr. Mukesh Kumar Verma, Advocate for the petitioner.

ALKA SARIN, J. (Oral)

Heard through video conferencing.

This is a civil writ petition under Articles 226 and 227 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ in the nature of certiorari for quashing the impugned order dated 22.01.2021 (Annexure P-4) whereby respondent no.5 has been transferred in place of the petitioner on the post of Forest Ranger, showing the post as vacant.

Learned counsel for the petitioner would contend that the petitioner, who is a Deputy Ranger, was posted at Sohna Range vide order dated 22.05.2020. Thereafter, order dated 22.01.2021 has been passed posting Anil Kumar Solath, respondent no.5 herein, as Forest Ranger against his post. He would further contend that the petitioner is designated as a Deputy Ranger, however, he is holding the charge at Sohna Range as a Ranger and now respondent no.5 has been posted against his post.

Notice of motion.

On the asking of the Court, Mr. Rajesh Gaur, Addl. A.G.,

Haryana has joined the session through video conferencing and accepts

instructions from Prateek Gupta, Assistant District Attorney, Forest Department, has stated that the petitioner is a Deputy Ranger who was posted at Sohna Range and was given the charge of Sohna Range since there was no Ranger posted at that Range. However, now respondent no.5 has been posted as Range Officer, Sohna and the petitioner would be given another charge in Sohna Range itself and that he is not being transferred as has been alleged by the petitioner. Learned State counsel has further contended that there is no change in the designation of the present petitioner and he continues to discharge his duties as a Deputy Ranger.

In view of the statement made by learned State counsel that the petitioner is not being transferred from Sohna Range and would continue to discharge his duties as a Deputy Ranger in the same Range, however, a different charge would be given to him than he was holding, no further orders are required to be passed.

Disposed off accordingly.

(ALKA SARIN)
JUDGE

29th January, 2021
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NOTE: Whether speaking/non-speaking: Speaking
Whether reportable: YES/NO