

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

CWP-4838-2021(O&M)

Date of decision:01.03.2021

Neket Kumar Handa

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL

Present:- Mr.R.Kartikeya, Advocate for the petitioner

ANIL KSHETARPAL, J.

The writ petitioner is facing criminal prosecution as well as departmental proceedings. The petitioner prays for stay of departmental proceedings till the pendency of the criminal proceedings. It may be noted here that pursuant to service of chargesheet, the petitioner has filed a detailed reply in his defence. The inquiry officer has refused to defer the departmental proceedings after interpreting the provisions of Punishment and Appeal Rules, Punjab.

Keeping in view the aforesaid facts and the judgments passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in '**Capt. M Paul Anthony vs. Bharat Gold Mines'** 1999(3) SCC 679 and '**State Bank of India vs. Neelam Nag'** 2016 (9) SCC 491, no ground to issue the writ as prayed for is made out.

Hence, dismissed.

01.03.2021

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Whether speaking/reasoned

Whether Reportable

Yes /No

Yes / No

**(ANIL KSHETARPAL)
JUDGE**