

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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CWP No.7177 of 2021

Date of Decision: 26.03.2021

Mool Raj

....Petitioner

VERSUS

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ALKA SARIN

Present: Ms. Shivya Sehgal, Advocate for the petitioner.

ALKA SARIN, J. (Oral)

Heard through video conferencing.

The limited prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioner in the present writ petition under Articles 226 and 227 of the Constitution of India is for directing the respondents to stay the departmental proceedings till the decision of the criminal trial regarding which the petitioner has given a representation dated 12.12.2020 (Annexure P-2). Learned counsel for the petitioner would contend that no decision has been taken on the said representation and at this stage she limits her prayer and states that the petitioner would be satisfied if a direction is issued to respondent no.3, A.D.C.P., Investigation, Ludhiana, to take a decision on representation dated 12.12.2020 (Annexure P-2) in a time bound manner.

Notice of motion.

On the asking of the Court, Ms. Sunint Kaur, A.A.G., Punjab has joined the session through video conferencing and accepts notice on behalf of the respondents. She, on instructions from Sh. Jatinderpal Singh,

Clerk O/o Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana, states that after notice was served *qua* the departmental enquiry nothing further has happened in the departmental enquiry as of now. She, however, states that a decision would be taken on the representation dated 12.12.2020 (Annexure P-2) in a time bound manner.

In view of the above and without commenting on merits of the case, the present petition is disposed off with a direction to respondent no.3 to take a decision on representation dated 12.12.2020 (Annexure P-2) in accordance with law within a period of one month from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

Disposed off accordingly.

**(ALKA SARIN)
JUDGE**

26th March, 2021
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NOTE: Whether speaking/non-speaking: Speaking
Whether reportable: YES/NO