

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CWP No.19118 of 2021 (O&M)

Date of Decision:27.10.2021

Narender Singh

.....Petitioner

Versus

Haryana Vidyut Prasaran Nigam Limited and others

..... Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS.JUSTICE LISA GILL

Present: Mr. Munish Mittal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Surabhi Kaushik, Advocate
for respondent no.1.

Mr. Parminder Singh, Advocate
for respondents no.2 and 3.

LISA GILL, J(Oral).

This matter is being taken up for hearing through video conferencing due to outbreak of the pandemic, COVID-19.

This writ petition has been filed by the petitioner seeking a direction to respondent no.1 to decide his complaint filed against respondent no.2 with regard to allotment of a quarter to the employees in the Power House Colony, Karnal under the HVPNL Allotment of Residential Accommodation Regulations 2012. There is a further prayer for direction to respondent no.1 to take appropriate legal action against the culprits, who had allotted quarters to the employees of the HVPNL against the provisions of the applicable regulations.

Petitioner is aggrieved of a quarter not being allotted to him while a quarter, it is submitted had been allotted to a similarly situated employee within a year of his refusal of earlier allotment. Petitioner, who

was posted at Karnal was allotted a quarter which was not acceptable to him, hence was refused by the petitioner in August 2020. Petitioner's name was struck off from the seniority list as he was considered ineligible for allotment of the quarter for one year in terms of the HVPNL Allotment of Residential Accommodation Regulations 2012. Allegations regarding blatant violation of the regulations have been raised in the writ petition with relaxation being given at the whims and fancies of the concerned officials.

Learned counsel for the petitioner is unable to deny that the petitioner, at this point of time is no longer posted at Karnal. He has been transferred from Karnal to Dhulkote, vide order dated 06.09.2021.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the basic grievance of the irregularities raised by the petitioner still survives for adjudication as petitioner's family is still residing at Karnal. However, learned counsel for the petitioner is unable to deny that with the petitioner's transfer from Karnal to Dhulkote, petitioner having joined at Dhulkote, he is not entitled to any official accommodation at Karnal. Therefore, I do not find any ground whatsoever to indulge in an academic exercise leading to wastage of precious Court time.

Keeping in view the above, this writ petition is accordingly dismissed as infructuous. It is clarified that there is no expression of opinion on the merits of the matter, which is left open to be adjudicated in appropriate proceedings.

27.10.2021
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[LISA GILL]
Judge

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No.
Whether reportable : Yes/No.