

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH**CWP-12240-1999****Date of decision: 08.09.2022**

Surinder Kumar Mittal

...Petitioner

Vs.

State of Haryana and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA**Present:** None for the petitioner.

Mr. R.D.Sharma, DAG, Haryana.

ARUN MONGA, J. (ORAL)

Petition herein, *inter alia*, is for issuance of a writ in the nature of Certiorari to quash the orders dated 27.07.1999 and 28.07.1999 (Annexure P-5 & P-6) whereby recovery of Rs.16,400 was ordered to be effected from the Petitioner, who was working as Assistant Employment Officer.

2. Petition was admitted on 05.03.2002.

3. When taken up for final adjudication, there is no representation on behalf of the petitioner. Vide order dated 25.08.2022, fresh notice was ordered to be sent to the petitioner. As per office report, notice issued to the petitioner has not been received back served or otherwise. Particulars of the address given as per the 'Memo of Parties' reflects that on the given office address service may not be possible as petitioner superannuated way back on 20.04.2003, though at the time of filing of the instant writ petition in the year 1999, he was in service. It seems that by sheer effluxion of time and pendency of the writ petition for more than 22 years before this Court, either it has been rendered infructuous or even otherwise the petitioner seems to have lost interest in pursuing the same.

4. Be that as it may, writ petition is dismissed with liberty to the petitioner to file an appropriate application in case any cause of action still survives.

(ARUN MONGA)
JUDGE

September 08, 2022

Vandana

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether reportable: Yes/No