

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

CWP-4432-2020

Date of Decision: 18.04.2022

Surinderpal Bansal

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: Mr. Deepak Gupta, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Navdeep Chhabra, DAG, Punjab.
(keeping in view the advance service)

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI J. (ORAL)

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that keeping in view Rule No.21 of the Punjab Civil Services (Punishment and Appeal) Rules, 1970, the petitioner has a remedy of appeal against the impugned order dated 03.09.2019 (Annexure P-9), therefore he may kindly be permitted to withdraw the present petition at this stage with a liberty to the petitioner to avail the said remedy.

Learned counsel for the petitioner further submits that keeping in view the fact that though the present petition was filed in the year 2020 but the same could not be heard thereafter due to the lock-down situation which prevailed keeping in view the Covid-19 pandemic, hence the appeal, if any, now preferred by the petitioner before the authorities concerned, the same be treated within the limitation and be decided by passing an appropriate order.

Learned State counsel submits that the appeal, if any, filed by the petitioner within a period of one month from today with the authorities concerned, the same will be decided on the basis of the merits.

Keeping in view the above, though the present petition is disposed of having been withdrawn by learned counsel for the petitioner with liberty to the petitioner to avail the alternative remedy of filing appeal and in case, any appeal is preferred by the petitioner before the authorities concerned within a period of one month from today, the same be decided on merits.

Disposed of in the above terms.

18.04.2022*Apurva***(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE**

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