

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

CWP-17626-1998 (O&M)

Date of decision: August 24, 2022

Satya Kumar Gupta

.....Petitioner

versus

State of Haryana and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA

Present: Mr. Tarun Yadav, Advocate 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 for quashing the impugned order dated 08.12.1995 (Annexure P-9) whereby promotion of respondents No.3 and 4 on the post of Head Assistant w.e.f. 04.05.1992 has been held to be valid and order dated 27.02.1998 (Annexure P-11) passed by respondent No.1 whereby appeal of the petitioner against the said order has been dismissed.

2. Petition was admitted for hearing on 05.07.2000.

3. When taken up for final adjudication, after around 22 years, learned counsel is unable to assist the Court for lack of instructions. Learned counsel for the petitioner states that despite attempts, his office could not contact the petitioner. In the premise, no useful purpose would be served to issue fresh notice to the petitioner as the same too would be an exercise in futility.

4. Whereas, learned counsel for the State also submits that he made attempts to get instructions from the office representatives of the respondents, but for lack of any assistance, he is also unable to address arguments.

5. 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.

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

(ARUN MONGA)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether reportable: Yes/No