IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

Item No.363

CWP No.8643 of 1997 (O&M)
Date of decision: 20.04.2022

Karan Singh …Petitioner

versus

State of Haryanaand others …Respondents

Coram : Hon'ble Mr. Justice ArunMonga

Present : Mr. B.S. Patwalia, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Sharan Sethi, Addl.A.G., Haryana.

ArunMonga, J. (Oral)

Petition was filed in the year 1997 i.e. almost 25 years ago, *inter alia*, for issuance of a writ in the nature of certiorari for quashing the order dated 05.06.1997 (Annexure P-4) passed by Commercial Taxation Commissioner – respondent No.2, whereby the services of the petitioner as Taxation Inspector were terminated.

2. During the motion hearing, when the case was being taken up for hearing prior to the same being admitted, vide order dated 13.06.1997, the operation of the impugned termination order (Annexure P-4) was stayed. The Petition has been lying admitted since 06.09.2001. When the petition has been called out for hearing today, it transpires that during the interregnum, by virtue of the interim order passed by this Court, the petitioner was allowed to

continue in service all throughout and on attaining the age of superannuation, retired from service on 30.06.2021.

3. In the premise, the writ petition is rendered infructuous to the extent that on being allowed to be served continuously the petitioner has gainfully worked until his superannuation, as aforesaid. Consequently, to that extent the petition is disposed of accordingly.

4. It is, however, made clear that taking an equitable view, the respondents are expected not to take any adverse action and/or initiate detrimental proceedings against the petitioner after his post-retirement.

April 20, 2022 **(Arun Monga)**
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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No
Whether reportable : Yes/No