

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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CWP-10100-2022

DATE OF DECISION: 12.05.2022

MANJEET SINGH AND ANR

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

**THE APPELLATE AUTHORITY, THE PUNJAB STATE CIVIL
SUPPLIES CORPORATION LIMITED AND ANR**

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Tahaf Bains, Advocate for the petitioners.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

Learned counsel for the petitioners contends that petitioners, who are working as Inspector Grade-I with the respondent on a salary of ₹62,099/-, have been fastened with a liability of ₹10,88,359/- and ₹4,35,343/- respectively on account of issuance of punishment orders for delivery of less assured gain vide order dated 13.07.2021/22.07.2021 (Annexure P-1). The petitioners have preferred the statutory appeal along with an application of stay (Annexure P-2) thereagainst under Rule 16 of the Punjab State Civil Supplies Corporation Revised Service Regulation 1985 read with Rule 15 of the Punjab Civil Services (Punishment & Appeal) Rules, 1990, with respondent No.1 on 18.04.2022 which has not been decided till date. He submits that in a similar petition bearing CWP-26467-2019 titled as Kulwinder Singh vs. Board of Directors, The Punjab State Cooperative Supply & Marketing Federation Ltd. and others, wherein the petitioner was also a Salesman with Markfed and recovery of ₹1,55,29,777/- had been directed against him, the Coordinate Bench in the revision petition pending adjudication had directed the revisional authority to decide the petition within

a period of three months. The Coordinate Bench had also directed that further recovery also be stayed subject to the final order that may be passed by the revisional authority.

In view of the limited prayer of the petitioner and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the petition is disposed of without issuing notice to the respondents with a direction to the appellate authority (respondent No.1) to consider and decide the statutory appeal (Annexure P-2) in accordance with law within a period of four months from the date of receipt of certified copy of the order.

Further recovery from the petitioners shall remain stayed and would be subject to the final order that may be passed by the appellate authority.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

12.05.2022

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes / No

Whether reportable : Yes / No