

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

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**CWP-11432-2019**  
**Date of Decision: 23.08.2022**

**SANJEET MALIK**

... Petitioner

Versus

**STATE OF HARYANA AND ORS**

... Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VINOD S. BHARDWAJ.**

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Present: Mr. Saurabh, Advocate for  
Mr. Gautam Dutt, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Vivek Chauhan, AAG, Haryana.

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**VINOD S. BHARDWAJ, J. (ORAL)**

The instant petition has been filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of the India for issuance of a writ in the nature of Certiorari for quashing the notice dated 24.04.2019 (Annexure P-2) issued by respondent No.4, SHO Police Station Mansa Devi, Panchkula whereby he directed the petitioner to deposit the licensed arms, being kept by the petitioner under Licence No.1088/Reg/DCP/PKL, due to the Lok Sabha Elections 2019.

The reply on behalf of respondents No.1 to 4 had been filed by Raj Kumar, HPC, Assistant Commissioner of Police, Panchkula, which is available on record. The relevant extract of the same is reproduced herein below:

“1. XXX XXX XXX

2. *That in compliance of directions of Election Commission of India all the SHO's were informed that Lok Sabha Elections in Haryana State will be conducted on 12.05.2019. To maintain law and order duty directions were issued vide letter No.4280-95 dated 11.03.2019 by the Deputy Commissioner of Police, Panchkula to all the SHO to deposit the arms licences of arms holders in their jurisdiction.*

3. *That in compliance of the directions dated 11.03.2019 issued by the Deputy Commissioner of Police; Panchkula a notice dated 24.04.2019 was issued to the petitioner by the SHO, MDC Panchkula to deposit his arms in the Police Station, MDC Panchkula and arms was deposited on 03.05.2019 and after election same was released to the petitioner on 17.06.2019.”*

Since the election in question has already been held and the arms so deposited by the petitioner on 03.05.2019 has also been released to him on 17.06.2019, no further cause of action survives in the present petition and the same deserves to be dismissed.

Ordered accordingly.

**23.08.2022**  
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**(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)**  
**JUDGE**

*Whether speaking/reasoned* : Yes/No

*Whether reportable* : Yes/No