

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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CWP-21396-2022

DATE OF DECISION: 19.09.2022

SUKHWINDER SINGH

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

**PRESIDENT, SHIROMANI GURDWARA PRABANDHAK
COMMITTEE, AMRITSAR AND ORS.**

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Aruz Khan, Advocate for the petitioner.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner has sought quashing of the impugned order dated 02.08.2021 (Annexure P-1) whereby he has been dismissed from service.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner was working as a Sewadar and had been dismissed from service only account of a video which had gone viral on social media showing the petitioner smoking a cigarette. The petitioner had gone to a dhabha along with another person and he had been offered some intoxicant substance in a cold drink which had rendered him unconscious. While he was unconscious, a person had handed over him a cigarette with intention to blackmail him.

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It is apparent that there were serious allegations against the petitioner of having smoked a cigarette. He was an employee of the SGPC. Charge sheet has been issued to the petitioner and only after conducting a regular enquiry, his services have been dispensed with. It is stipulated in the

service regulations of the SGPC that any employee who is found to be smoking would be dismissed from service.

Consequently, I do not find any infirmity in the impugned order.

The petition stands dismissed.

19.09.2022
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(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes / No
Whether reportable	:	Yes / No