

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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CWP-21421-2022

DATE OF DECISION: 19.09.2022

JASWINDER SINGH

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

PUNJAB STATE WAREHOUSING CORPORATION AND OTHERS

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

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

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner, who is working as a Warehouse Manager with the respondent on a salary of Rs.99,985/- has been fastened with a liability of Rs.2,97,94,276/- on account of issuance of chargesheets vide order dated 02.12.2021/13.12.2021 (Annexure P-1) which has been upheld by the appellate authority vide order dated 03.08.2022 (Annexure P-3). The petitioner has preferred the statutory review petition along with an application of stay (Annexure P-4) thereagainst under Rule 21 of the Punjab Civil Services (Punishment and Appeal) Rules, 1970 read with Regulation 21 of the PSWC Staff (Conditions of Service) Group "A" and "B" Service Regulations, 2002, with respondent No.3 on 22.08.2022 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 Rs.1,55,29,777/- had been directed against him, the

Coordinate Bench in the revision petition pending for adjudication had directed the revisional authority to decide the petition within a period of three months. The Coordinate Bench also directed that further recovery be stayed subject to the final order that may be passed by the revisional authority.

Issue notice to the respondents.

At the asking of the Court, Mr. Anil Sharma, Advocate accepts notice on behalf of the respondents. Learned counsel for the petitioner is directed to furnish a copy of the paper book to the learned counsel for the respondents in the course of the day. Learned counsel for the respondents submits that the review petition has been filed on 22.08.2022 and therefore, some reasonable time be granted to decide the appeal.

Heard.

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 with a direction to the Reviewing authority (respondent No.3) to consider and decide the Review Petition (Annexure P-4) in accordance with law within a period of six months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order. Further recovery from the petitioner shall remain stayed and would be subject to the final order that may be passed by the appellate authority.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

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