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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH**

CWP-26710-2022

Date of Decision: 22.11.2022

SI GURNAM SINGH

.... Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ORS

.... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present:- Mr. K.G. Chaudhry, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

JAISHREE THAKUR.J (Oral)

The petitioner herein seeks quashing of impugned order dated 12.11.2021 whereby his promotion order as Inspector has been withdrawn.

Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner would contend that the impugned order has been without affording him an opportunity of hearing. The said order has been passed taking into account the adverse remarks which already stand expunged. He would submit that in this regard, the petitioner has already served a legal notice dated 06.09.2022 (Annexure P-4) upon the respondents, but till date, no decision has been taken thereon. Counsel would submit that at this stage, the petitioner would be satisfied in case his legal notice is decided in a time bound manner, in accordance with law.

Notice of motion to the official respondents only.

On the asking of the Court, Ms. Deepali Puri, Additional Advocate General, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the official respondents.

Let sufficient number of copies of complete paper book be supplied to her during the course of day.

Without commenting on merits of the case and keeping in view the limited prayer made by counsel for the petitioner, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondents to decide legal notice dated 06.09.2022 (Annexure P-4) of the petitioner within a period of two months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order, in accordance with law and convey the decision to the petitioner. In case of failure to do so, the officer responsible for the lapse would be liable to costs of Rs.20,000/- from his personal pocket, to be deposited with the Punjab and Haryana High Court Advocates Welfare Fund.

(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE

22.11.2022
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Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable:	Yes/No