

**102 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH
CWP-2632-2023**

Date of Decision: 9th February, 2023

Satnam Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN

Present : Mr. Karan Choudhary, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Rajesh Mehta, Addl. A.G. Punjab.

AVNEESH JHINGAN , J.(Oral)

1. The writ petition is filed in the nature of Certiorari seeking quashing of order dated 11th August, 2022 passed by District Controller Food, Civil Supply and Consumer Affairs, Gurdaspur, (for short 'DESC') suspending the supply of essential commodities/food grains to Depot of petitioner.

2. The brief facts are that the petitioner-Satnam Singh was allotted Depot. An inquiry was conducted against him and the licence of the petitioner was suspended. Aggrieved of that, the present petition has been filed.

3. Learned State counsel appearing on advance notice on instructions from Sh. Sukhwinder Singh, DFSC, Gurdaspur, submits that the order is challenged on the ground that DFSC had no jurisdiction to pass orders. He produced notification dated 5th January, 2023 amending the Punjab Targeted Public Distribution System (Licensing and Control) order, 2016, whereby word "District Magistrate" has been substituted with "Licensing Authority". He further on instructions submits that in view of

amendment the orders passed by DFSC suspending the supply to the depot

of petitioner has been revoked and liberty is sought to pass a fresh order if need so arises.

4. In view of statement made by learned State counsel, the petition is disposed of.

5. Needless to say that the respondents would be at liberty to proceed in accordance with law.

6. Since the main case has been disposed of, pending application, if any is rendered infructuous.

(AVNEESH JHINGAN)
JUDGE

9th February, 2023
Parveen Sharma

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