

239 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA  
AT CHANDIGARH

CWP-16091-2020

DECIDED ON: 31<sup>st</sup> OCTOBER, 2023

SOMNATH

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

UTTAR HARYNA BIJLI VITRAN NIGAM LTD. AND OTHERS

.....RESPONDENTS

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANDEEP MOUDGIL.**

Present: Mr. Arun Kumar Singal, Advocate  
for the petitioner.

Mr. Sanjeev Majra, Advocate  
for the respondents.

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**SANDEEP MOUDGIL, J (ORAL)**

The jurisdiction of this Court under Articles 226 and 227 of the Constitution of India has been invoked for issuance of a writ in the nature of *Certiorari* to quash the order dated 15.06.2020 (Annexure P-6) with further prayer for issuance of a writ in the nature of *Mandamus* to direct respondent No.2 to take decision on the inquiry report.

2. Learned counsel for respondents has placed on record copy of office order dated 17.08.2023 whereby, the charge sheet dated 14.07.2017 issued to the petitioner stands dropped. Accordingly, he submits that nothing survives in the present petition.

3. This Court has no reason to disbelieve the afore-statement, which is duly supported by an order dated 17.08.2023, copy of which has been placed on record as document 'A' and in the light of that it is apparent that the present petition has been rendered infructuous.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the retiral benefits accrued to the petitioner may be released forthwith, as the disciplinary proceedings in the shape of charge sheet stands dropped.

5. The present petition is dismissed as having been rendered infructuous. However, respondent-Nigam is directed to release the retiral benefits accrued to the petitioner within a period of one month from the date of receipt of certified copy of the order.

31.10.2023

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(SANDEEP MOUDGIL)  
JUDGE

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| <i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i> | <i>Yes/No</i> |
| <i>Whether reportable</i>        | <i>Yes/No</i> |