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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CWP-19700-2023 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 11.09.2023

Jagdeep Singh and others

. . . . Petitioners

Vs.

State of Punjab and others

. . . . Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJEEV PRAKASH SHARMA

Present Mr. Navinderjit Singh Dandiwal, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Paramjit Batta, Addl. A.G., Punjab.

SANJEEV PRAKASH SHARMA, J.(Oral)

1. Learned counsel for the petitioners assails the order dated 29.08.2023 (P-6) whereby the Commissioner, MGNREGA has terminated the services of the petitioners who were appointed on contract basis as Additional Program Officer, Gram Rozgar Sewak and Technical Assistant.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that as per the service contract, the petitioners could be terminated from services after giving one month's notice.
3. I have considered the submissions and find that the petitioners are involved in a vigilance case registered against them where they are made accused. In terms of the service contract, the services could be terminated on one month's salary on the basis of unsatisfactory service and as per condition no.4, the petitioners have no right of continuing in

service as a contractual employee. Moreover, as they are involved in a criminal case relating to corruption, no case for equity is made out.

- 4. However, the petitioners can always claim their salary if the same is not paid by filing a civil suit or by going for arbitration in terms of the service contract.
- 5. With the aforesaid observations, writ petition stands dismissed.
- 6. Pending application(s), if any, also stands disposed of.

(SANJEEV PRAKASH SHARMA)
JUDGE

September 11, 2023
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| 1. Whether speaking/reasoned? | Yes/No |
| 2. Whether reportable? | Yes/No |