

In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana, at Chandigarh

Civil Writ Petition No. 25501 of 2022

Date of Decision: 20.02.2023

Mohd. Ashraf

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab and Another

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Anil Kshetarpal.

Present: Mr. Naveen Kumar, Advocate
for Mr. Imran Farooqi, Advocate
for the petitioner(s).

Mr. D.K.Singal, Additional Advocate General,
Punjab, for the respondents.

Anil Kshetarpal, J.

1. The petitioner prays for issuance of a writ in the nature of certiorari to quash the order dated 08.07.2019 whereby the petitioner has been suspended. He also prays for issuance of the writ in the nature of mandamus to direct the respondent No.2 to release the arrears of his increment and other allowances.

2. The relevant facts, in brief, are required to be noticed. The petitioner was appointed on the compassionate basis as a Beldar. He was found absent from his duty w.e.f. 20.06.2019. Subsequently, it came to the notice of the authorities that an FIR No. 81 dated 21.06.2019 under Section 3, 4, 5 and 6 of the Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1956, has been registered against the petitioner. Hence, the petitioner was placed under suspension vide order dated 08.07.2019. His appeal is stated to be pending

against the order of suspension.

3. Keeping in view the aforesaid facts, it would not be appropriate to exercise the writ jurisdiction in favour of the petitioner at this stage.

Consequently, the present writ petition is dismissed.

(Anil Kshetarpal)
Judge

February 20, 2023
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Whether speaking/reasoned :Yes/No
Whether reportable : Yes/No