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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CWP-4989-2023 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 06.10.2023

SUKHPAL SINGH GILL

.....Petitioner

V/s.

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJEEV PRAKASH SHARMA.

Present Mr. Deepak Nayar, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Ms. Shivani Sharma, DAG, Punjab.

SANJEEV PRAKASH SHARMA, J (Oral)

1. The petitioner by way of this petition has challenged the order dated 04.11.2022 whereby the respondent No.3, Rupinderjit Kaur, Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Ludhiana was directed to take additional charge of the District Development and Panchayat Officer, Ludhiana.

2. The respondent-State has filed a short reply and it has been stated that the charge was handed over on account of the suspension of the then District Development and Panchayat Officer, Ludhiana, Baljinder Singh Grewal. However, in compliance of the interim order passed by this Court 14.03.2023, in the present petition, the additional charge of the District Development and Panchayat Officer, Ludhiana has been taken back from respondent No.3 vide order dated 16.03.2023 and in her place, one Navneet Joshi, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Zila Parishad, Ludhiana has been given the charge. It has also been stated that respondent No.3 was

senior most officer and she was given the additional charge. The proposal to suspend the then District Development and Panchayat Officer, Ludhiana, Baljinder Singh Grewal was submitted to the competent authority and enquiry is being conducted by the Additional District & Sessions Judge (Retd.).

3. Keeping in view the aforesaid affidavit filed by the State as noticed above, this Court finds that no further relief has been prayed in this present petition and since the purpose of impugning the order dated 04.11.2022 stands redundant, the Writ Petition has, thus, become infructuous and the same is **dismissed**.

4. All pending applications shall stand disposed of accordingly.

October 6, 2023

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**[SANJEEV PRAKASH SHARMA]
JUDGE**

Whether speaking / reasoned : *Yes/No.*

Whether Reportable : *Yes/No*