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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH**

**COCp-2851-2022 (O&M)
Date of decision: 02.02.2023**

Rajesh Bhatia

... Petitioner

Vs.

Vijay Kumar Janjua and ors.

.. Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

**Present: Mr. Sukhandeep Singh, Advocate
for the petitioner.**

**Mr. Vinod Ghai, Advocate General, Punjab with
Mr. Aman Pal, Addl. AG, Punjab
for respondents No.1 & 2.**

**Mr. Nitin Sachdeva, Advocate
for respondent No.3.**

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner alleges violation of the order dated 15.09.2022, vide which selection of private respondent on the post of President, District Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission, Kapurthala was quashed and a further direction was issued to the State Govt. to proceed in the matter afresh in accordance with the recommendation dated 05.04.2021 made by the Selection Committee duly conveyed vide communication dated 06.04.2021.

In pursuance of the last two orders, compliance affidavit of Principal Secretary, Department Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs, Punjab has been filed in the Court today, in which it is stated that though the State Govt. has filed LPAs, which are pending for 09.03.2023, however, in compliance of the aforesaid order dated 15.09.2022, appointment of respondent No.3 Lalit Pathak on the post of President, District Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission, Kapurthala is terminated vide order dated 31.01.2023. It is further stated that in compliance of the aforesaid judgment dated 15.09.2022, State Govt. is actively considering recommendation made by the Selection Committee vide letter dated 06.04.2021 and new selection will be made on the basis of recommendation made by the Selection Committee purely on merits.

Accordingly, present petition is dismissed.

[ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN]
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No