

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH.

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2024:PHHC:026005
CWP-8769-1997 (O&M).
Date of Decision: 26.02.2024.

BASANT PAL VERMA

..Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

UNION OF INDIA AND OTHERS

.. Respondent(s)

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VINOD S. BHARDWAJ

PRESENT None for the petitioner.

Ms. Puneeta Sethi, Senior Panel Counsel,
for respondents/Union of India.

VINOD S. BHARDWAJ, J. (ORAL)

The dispute in the present case arose on account of excess telephone bill raised by the respondents regarding Telephone No.SRR-2411/2913 installed at the premises of the petitioner. The matter was referred to the Arbitrator by the District Consumer Redressal Forum, Sangrur, who passed the award dated 16.05.1997. A revised bill of Rs.26,502/- was thereafter issued by the concerned Department against which the present writ petition has been filed.

Vide order dated 13.06.1997, the writ petition was admitted and it was directed that the telephone connection of the petitioner shall not be disconnected subject to him depositing 50% of the amount indicated in Annexure P-7 and subject to the condition that the petitioner continues to pay the bi-monthly bills which may be sent by the Department to him in future.

The matter was taken up on 02.02.2024 on the request of the petitioner. The same is thereafter being taken up today.

There is no representation on behalf of the petitioner.

Learned counsel appearing for the respondents/Union of India contends that there is no subsisting grievance of the petitioner in the present case since the telephone connection may not itself be existing. The above said contention is plausible.

The present writ petition is accordingly dismissed for want of prosecution.

Liberty is, however, granted to the petitioner to seek revival of the present case in case any grievance still survives..

February 26, 2024.
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(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

Whether speaking / reasoned : Yes / No

Whether reportable : Yes / No