

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

(102)

CWP-9546-2024

Date of decision: - 29.04.2024

Parminder Singh**....Petitioner****Versus****State of Punjab and others****.....Respondents****CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS BAHL**

Present:- Mr. Aruz Khan, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. TPS Walia, AAG, Punjab.

VIKAS BAHL, J. (ORAL)

1. This is a petition under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India for the issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondent No.2 to decide the second appeal dated 16.03.2023 (Annexure P-2) pending with it since 17.03.2023.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the second statutory appeal was filed by the petitioner before the State Information Commission on 16.03.2023 and till date, the same has not been decided. It is further submitted that the petitioner would be satisfied at this stage, in case, respondent No.1 is directed to decide the said appeal in a time bound manner.

3. Learned State Counsel has submitted that at present, there is one Chief Information Commissioner, Punjab and it is the said authority who has to decide the appeal and the same would be done, as

expeditiously as possible, preferably within a period of six months from the date of receipt of certified copy of the present order.

4. Keeping in view the abovesaid facts and circumstances, the present Civil Writ Petition is disposed of with direction to respondent No.1 to decide the second statutory appeal i.e. SA No.1914 of 2023 as expeditiously as possible, preferably within a period of six months from the date of receipt of certified copy of the present order.

April 29, 2024
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(VIKAS BAHL)
JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking?	Yes/No
Whether reportable?	Yes/No