

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

2024:PHHC:082391-DB



(104)

CWP-PIL-126-2024

Decided on : 04.07.2024

NehriPatwar Union Jal Sarot Vibhag Punjab and others

.....Petitioner (s)

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondent(s)

**CORAM : HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE G.S. SANDHAWALIA,
ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE VIKAS BAHL**

Present: Mr. Swarn Tiwana, Advocate for the petitioners.

G.S. Sandhawalia, Acting Chief Justice (Oral)

Present Public Interest Litigation has been filed for seeking directions against the official respondents to conduct judicial inquiry as the petitioners and other members of the union are stated to be harassed by respondent Nos.4 to 6. In the petition reference has been made to departmental proceedings, charge-sheet/suspension orders.

2. It has also come to our notice that petitioner No.2-Jaskaran Singh has also filed **CWP No.12241 of 2024**, whereby challenge has been raised to a suspension order dated 08.05.2024, which has been appended as Annexure P-16 herein and was also appended as Annexure P-16 in the said petition. It is the settled principle of law that a public interest litigation is not maintainable in a service matter. Reference can be made to the judgment of the Apex Court passed in **Hari Bansh Lal Vs. Sahodar Prasad Mahto & others, (2010) 9 SCC 655**.

3.
- Faced with this situation, Mr. Tiwana submits that he does not want to press the present petition and prays for withdrawal of the same to seek redressal in accordance with law.
4.
- Ordered accordingly.

(G.S. SANDHAWALIA)
ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE

04.07.2024
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(VIKAS BAHL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned :	Yes
Whether Reportable :	No