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

(101)**CWP-16698-2023****Date of decision:- 02.09.2024****Amandeep****...Petitioner****Versus****State of Haryana and others****...Respondents****CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUVIR SEHGAL**

Present:- Ms. Prabhjot Kaur Virk, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Sharad Aggarwal, DAG, Haryana.

SUVIR SEHGAL, J. (Oral)

1. Instant writ petition has been filed under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India *inter alia* for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to issue Arms License under the Heirloom Policy.
2. Counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner's father possessed a firearms license, which was valid upto 13.10.2019, and after his death on 10.05.2017, petitioner submitted application dated 01.08.2022, Annexure P-2, for grant of license under the Heirloom Policy, which was declined on 26.08.2022, Annexure P-3. Petitioner filed the instant writ petition and after hearing, this Court by order dated 03.08.2023, issued notice of motion to the respondents, while observing that order, Annexure P-3, was cryptic State was directed to file a reply and also to apprise the Court as to whether the remarks recorded in Annexure P-3, are in the shape of an order or as to the

same is merely an intimation.



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3. Writ petition has been contested by the respondents by filing separate replies. In the response filed on behalf of respondents No.1 and 2, a copy of detailed order dated 02.05.2024, Annexure R-1, has been placed on the record, whereby, reasons have been assigned for the rejection of the application, Annexure P-2.
4. State counsel has taken an objection that the petitioner has an alternate remedy of filing an appeal under Section 18 of the Arms Act, 1959 (for short “the Act”).
5. When confronted with this objection, counsel for the petitioner has sought and is granted permission to withdraw the petition with liberty to take recourse to the alternate remedy available under the Act.
6. Dismissed as withdrawn, with liberty as aforesaid.

(SUVIR SEHGAL)
JUDGE

02.09.2024
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Whether Speaking/Reasoned	Yes
Whether Reportable	Yes/No