

**CWP-18014-2024 1****IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH****(126)****CWP-18014-2024****Date of Decision : July 31, 2024****Satnam Singh****.. Petitioner****Versus****State of Punjab and others****.. Respondents****CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI**

Present: Mr. Ranjit Singh Kalra, Advocate, with
Ms. Mona Yadav, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Swapan Shorey, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI J. (ORAL)

1. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the impugned order dated 21.06.2024 (Annexure P-11) has been passed by the authority not competent to do so and therefore, the same is liable to be set aside.

2. Keeping in view the service of advance copy of petition, Mr. Swapan Shorey, learned Deputy Advocate General, Punjab, has put in appearance and submits that keeping in view the letter dated 30.09.2019, the powers of appointing and punishing authority as envisaged in the Punjab Education Department (School and Inspection) Group 'B' Service Rules 2018 have been delegated to Director Public Instructions and therefore, keeping in view the exercising delegated power, the order has been passed which is perfectly valid and legal.

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3. Faced with this situation, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the present writ petition may kindly be disposed of having been not pressed any further with liberty to the petitioner to challenge the validity of the letter dated 30.09.2019 so as to confer the power upon the Director Public Instructions to pass an order in case of the Headmaster apart from other ground already raised in the present petition by filing appropriate petition.

4. Ordered accordingly.

July 31, 2024*harsha***(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)****JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No