

CWP-31228 of 2024

2024:PHHC:151619



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

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Date of decision: 20.11.2024

Sukhpreet Singh Gondara

.....Petitioner

Versus

The Punjab State Cooperative Supply and Marketing Federation
Limited and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAMIT KUMAR

Present: - Mr. Shiv Kumar, Advocate, and
Mr. Lovedev Singh, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Rajesh Sehgal, Advocate,
for the respondents.

NAMIT KUMAR, J. (ORAL)

1. Instant writ petition has been filed by the petitioner under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India for issuance of directions to respondent No.2 to hear and decide the statutory departmental appeal dated 25.10.2024 (Annexure P-3) along with application for stay dated 25.10.2024 (Annexure P-4) filed by the petitioner against the order dated 16.08.2024 (Annexure P-2) passed by respondent No.3 being punishing authority, in a time-bound manner as stipulated under the Service Rules read with instructions dated 03.03.1997 (Annexure P-6). Further prayer has been made to set aside the order dated 16.08.2024 (Annexure P-2) passed by respondent No.3-Punishing Authority and for staying the recovery during the pendency of appeal.



2. Learned counsel for the petitioner prays for deciding the appeal dated 25.10.2024 (Annexure P-3) along with application for stay dated 25.10.2024 (Annexure P-4) filed by the petitioner expeditiously by passing a speaking order in a time-bound manner.
3. Notice of motion.
4. Mr. Rajesh Sehgal, Advocate, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents and has no objection if the time-bound directions are issued to the Appellate Authority to consider and decide the appeal filed by the petitioner.
5. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and have gone through the case file.
6. Respondent No.2-Appellate Authority is directed to decide the appeal dated 25.10.2024 (Annexure P-3) filed by the petitioner, in accordance with law by passing a speaking order as expeditiously as possible preferably within a period of six months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.
7. Since the statutory appeal filed by the petitioner is pending and yet to be decided, it will be in the interest of justice that no further recovery be effected from the petitioner.
8. Petition stands disposed of in the above terms.

20.11.2024
R.S.

(NAMIT KUMAR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether Reportable : Yes/No