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

CWP-PIL-5-2025 (O&M)

Date of decision:- 13.01.2025

H.C. Arora

...Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondent(s)

CORAM: **HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SHEEL NAGU, CHIEF JUSTICE**
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDHIR SINGH

Present:- Mr. H.C. Arora, Advocate (petitioner-in-person),
 Ms. Sunaina, Advocate.

Mr. Gagneshwar Walia, Additional Advocate General, Punjab.

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SHEEL NAGU, C.J. (ORAL)

1. The public cause raised in this petition by the petitioner, who is a practicing lawyer, is that the petition under Article 191(2) of the Constitution of India seeking disqualification of respondent No. 3 from membership of the Punjab Legislative Assembly on account of defection under paragraph 2 of the 10th Schedule of the Constitution of India is not being decided by the Speaker, Punjab Legislative Assembly.

2. It is submitted by the petitioner that the petition was filed on 04.09.2024 and yet the same has not been considered and decided.

3. On the other hand, learned State counsel refers to a notice dated 13.01.2025 issued by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha Secretariat (Legislation Branch) to the petitioner intimating that the Speaker, Punjab Legislative Assembly has fixed the date of hearing on 11.02.2025 at 11.30 A.M. The same is taken on record and marked as Annexure 'H'.

4. In view of the fact that the process of consideration of the petition under Article 191(2) of the Constitution of India filed by the petitioner on 04.09.2024 has begun, this Court refrains from issuing any directions in the present petition and disposes of the same with hope and expectation that the process so started shall be concluded as expeditiously as possible.
5. The petition, accordingly, stands disposed of.

(SHEEL NAGU)
CHIEF JUSTICE

(SUDHIR SINGH)
JUDGE

13.01.2025
Amodh Sharma

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