



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

**LPA No.290 of 2025 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 29.08.2025**

Surender Lather

.....Appellant.

Versus

State of Haryana and another

.....Respondents.

**CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE LISA GILL
 HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA**

Present:- Mr. Chetan Mittal, Senior Advocate with
 Mr. Himanshu Gupta, Advocate
 for the appellant.

Mr. Deepak Balyan, Addl. A.G, Haryana.

Mr. Kanwal Goyal, Advocate
for the respondent-HPSC.

LISA GILL, J. (Oral)

1. Prayer in this appeal is for setting-aside judgment dated 16.01.2025 passed by learned Single Judge in ***CWP No.1580 of 2020*** titled as '***Surender Lather Vs. State of Haryana and another***', whereby writ petition filed by the appellant was dismissed.

2. Arguments in the appeal were heard on 18.03.2025 and judgment reserved. However, difference of opinion had arisen between Members of the Bench, who heard the matter on 18.03.2025 and reserved the same. Divergent opinions were pronounced on 29.05.2025. One of the



Judges (Sanjeev Prakash Sharma, J.) allowed the appeal whereas the other Judge (Meenakshi I. Mehta, J.) found no merit in the appeal and dismissed the same. Subsequent thereto, matter was referred for opinion of the third Judge. Vide detailed decision dated 31.07.2025, learned third Judge (Vikas Bahl, J.) has concurred with the view expressed by Justice Sanjeev Prakash Sharma, whereby appeal has been allowed.

2. Present appeal is, accordingly, allowed in terms of the majority view.

3. Pending application(s), if any, stand(s) disposed of.

(LISA GILL)
JUDGE

(MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA)
JUDGE

August 29, 2025
Yag Dutt

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No
Whether Reportable: Yes/No