

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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2025:PHHC:044392



CR-2982-2019 (O&M)
Date of decision: 02.04.2025

MAKHAN SINGH

..Petitioner

Versus

PUNJAB STATE CIVIL SUPPLIES CORPORATION LTD (PUNSUP)
AND ORS

..Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL

Present: Mr. Puneet Kumar Bansal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Deepak Gupta, Advocate
for respondent No.1-PUNSUP.

ANIL KSHETARPAL, J(Oral)

1. The petitioner herein is a former employee of the respondent. In the departmental inquiries against the petitioner, he has been held liable to reimburse the department to the extent of Rs.51,00,000/- in one enquiry and Rs.4,62,000/- in another enquiry. The petitioner claims that arrears of 6th Pay Commission has not been paid to him. The stand of the respondent is that the aforesaid amount has been adjusted towards the recovery of loss caused by the petitioner to the respondent-employer.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner refers to order passed in **RSA-1998-2016, titled as Makhan Singh Vs. Punjab State Civil Supplies Corporation and others, decided on 07.03.2018**, to the effect that the Corporation was not entitled to adjust the amount.

3. This Court has considered the submissions of learned counsel for the appellant.

4. Those observations were made when the inquiry proceedings were pending. The Court observed that the directions would not come in the



way of the corporation to recover the loss, if any, caused by the petitioner. Thus, the respondent-employer was granted liberty to recover the amount. Set off of payable amount against the recovery is fundamental.

5. Admittedly, the petitioner has not challenged the correctness of orders passed by the competent authority ordering recovery of Rs.51,00,000/- in one instance and Rs.4,62,000/- in second instance from the petitioner.

6. Hence, no ground to interfere is made out.

7. Dismissed.

8. All the pending miscellaneous applications, if any, are also disposed of.

April 02nd, 2025

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(ANIL KSHETARPAL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : *Yes/No*
Whether reportable : *Yes/No*