



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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IOIN-1-CWP-2591-2005
in/and CWP-2591-2005
Date of decision: 27.10.2025

MAJOR SINGH

...Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAGMOHAN BANSAL

Present: Mr. APS Shergill, Advocate for
Mr. KPS Sandhu, Advocate
for the petitioner.

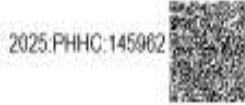
Ms. Neha Sonawane, DAG, Punjab.

JAGMOHAN BANSAL, J.

1. The petitioner through instant petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India is seeking setting aside of orders dated 17.05.2002 (Annexure P-2), 10.12.2002 (Annexure P-4) and Annexure P-6, whereby he was dismissed from service and higher authorities dismissed his appeal/revision.

2. The petitioner joined Punjab Police as Constable in 1989. He was implicated in FIR No.134 dated 30.08.1998 under Sections 302, 201, 120-B IPC registered at Police Station Sadar Muktsar. He was released on bail on 02.09.2000. He was acquitted by the trial Court vide judgment dated 14.02.2004. Despite acquittal, respondents did not consider his case for reinstatement.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that as per Rule 16.3 of Punjab Police Rules, 1934 (in short 'PPR'), the case of petitioner needs to be



reconsidered.

4. On being confronted with judgment dated 02.04.2025 passed by this Court in *CWP No.18777 of 2023* titled as *Bala Singh Versus State of Haryana and Others*, judgment dated 21.05.2025 passed in *CWP No.21304 of 2024* titled as *Nirmaljit Singh Versus State of Punjab and Others* and judgment dated 27.05.2025 passed in *CWP No.25411 of 2022* titled as *Dheeraj Kumar Versus State of Haryana and Others*, Ms. Neha Sonawane, DAG, Punjab expressed her inability to controvert the fact that as per Rule 16.3 of PPR, matter needs to be reconsidered by the Competent Authority.

5. In the light of orders passed in *Bala Singh (Supra)*, *Nirmaljit Singh (Supra)* and *Dheeraj Kumar (Supra)* as well as Rule 16.3 of PPR, the impugned orders are hereby set aside and the Appellate Authority is directed to pass fresh order in terms of Rule 16.3 of PPR. It is made clear that this Court has not expressed any opinion on merit.

6. *Disposed of* in above terms.

(JAGMOHAN BANSAL)
JUDGE

27.10.2025
P.Bhatt

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