



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

CWP No.13364 of 2025 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 21.05.2025

Union of India and others

.....Petitioners.

Versus

Y.P. Jhanji and another

.....Respondents.

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJEEV PRAKASH SHARMA
HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA

Present:- Ms. Shalini Atri, Advocate
 for the petitioners.

SANJEEV PRAKASH SHARMA, J.(Oral)

1. The order challenged before us in this writ petition has been passed by the Central Administrative Tribunal, Chandigarh (for short 'the CAT') on 20.09.2019.

2. No reasons are coming forward for not challenging the order for a period of almost 5½ years. Although there is no time limit prescribed for preferring a writ petition against an order passed by the CAT and the same is essentially filed in terms of the judgment passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in *L. Chandrakumar Vs. Union of India (1997) 3 SCC 261*, we are of the firm view that the normal limitation of three years has to be applied unless there are reasons otherwise on record to show the delay in filing of the writ petition challenging the order passed by the CAT. The



writ petition is, accordingly, dismissed on the ground of gross laches and delay.

3. Pending civil misc. application also stands disposed of.

(SANJEEV PRAKASH SHARMA)
JUDGE

(MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA)
JUDGE

May 21, 2025
Yag Dutt

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