



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

CWP-19562-2021 (O & M)
Date of Decision: 16.05.2025

Rajwinder SinghPetitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab and othersRespondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAGMOHAN BANSAL

Present: Mr. Sameer Sachdeva, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Aman Dhir, DAG, Punjab.

JAGMOHAN BANSAL, J. (Oral)

1. The petitioner through instant petition under Articles 226 and 227 of the Constitution of India is seeking setting aside of order dated 27.07.2020 (Annexure P-1) whereby he was dismissed from service and order dated 22.01.2021 (Annexure P-3) whereby his appeal was dismissed.

2. The petitioner claims that he has been dismissed from service without conducting inquiry as contemplated by Rule 16.24 of Punjab Police Rules, 1934 (in short 'PPR') read with Article 311 of the Constitution of India. The respondent has mechanically dispensed with requirement of inquiry.

3. Mr. Sameer Sachdeva submits that case of petitioner is squarely covered by judgments of this Court passed in ***CWP-8906-2022***

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titled as *Manjinder Singh vs. State of Punjab and others* dated 11.09.2024 and *CWP-8612-2021* titled as *Baljinder Singh vs. State of Punjab and others* dated 13.05.2024.

4. Mr. Aman Dhir, DAG, Punjab submits that past conduct of petitioner was bad and he is a habitual absentee. However, Mr. Dhir expressed his inability to controvert applicability of aforesaid judgments to instant case.

5. The case of petitioner is squarely covered by afore-cited judgments of this Court. Accordingly, impugned orders dated 27.07.2020 (Annexure P-1) and 22.01.2021 (Annexure P-3) are hereby set aside and respondents are directed to conduct departmental inquiry in accordance with law. If the respondent does not initiate inquiry within 3 months from today, the petitioner would be deemed to be reinstated. This Court is sanguine of the fact that inquiry, if any initiated, would be expeditiously completed.

6. Disposed of.

7. Pending application, if any, shall also stand disposed of.

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(JAGMOHAN BANSAL)
JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking
Whether reportable

Yes
No