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

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Date of Decision: 20.08.2025

Raj Bala

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAGMOHAN BANSAL

Present: - Mr. Sunil Kumar Nehra, Advocate for the petitioner

Mr. Suneel Ranga, Deputy Advocate General, Haryana

JAGMOHAN BANSAL, J. (Oral)

1. The petitioner through instant petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India is seeking setting aside of: -

- i. order dated 04.06.2018 whereby punishment of censure has been imposed upon her;
- ii. order/letter dated 14.06.2018 whereby her Annual Confidential Reports for the period 28.09.2017 to 16.11.2017 and 09.12.2017 to 31.03.2018 have been recorded as adverse;
- iii. order dated 27.06.2018 whereby her appeal against punishment of censure has been rejected; and
- iv. order dated 19.07.2018 vide which she has been ordered to compulsory retire from service.



2. On 11.09.2018, this Court passed the following order: -

“Learned counsel for the petitioner has referred to the judgment of the Division Bench in the case of State of Haryana and others Vs Mohinder Singh passed in LPA No.2008 of 2011 to contends that a minor punishment cannot be made a basis for compulsory retirement after attaining the age of 55 years. He further submits that no adverse remark has been found against the petitioner.

Learned counsel for the respondent/State seeks time to file reply in the matter.

Adjourned to 21.01.2019.

In the meantime, operation of the impugned order dated 19.07.2018 (Annexure P-6) shall remain stayed.”

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has retired on attaining the age of 58 years. She continued to work in view of interim order dated 11.09.2018 passed by this Court.

4. Learned State counsel does not dispute the afore-stated factual and legal position.

5. In the backdrop, order dated 11.09.2018 passed by this Court is hereby made absolute.

6. Disposed of in above terms.

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

(JAGMOHAN BANSAL)
JUDGE

20.08.2025
Mohit Kumar

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