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

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Date of Decision: 28.07.2025

Kulwinder Singh**...Petitioner****Versus****State of Punjab and others****...Respondents****CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAGMOHAN BANSAL**

Present: - Mr. Chetan Bansal, Advocate and
Ms. Arti Kaur, Advocate for the petitioner
Mr. Aman Dhir, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab

JAGMOHAN BANSAL, J. (Oral)

1. The petitioner through instant petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India is seeking direction to respondents to promote him to the rank of Sub-Inspector.
2. The petitioner claims that respondent is not promoting him to the rank of Sub-Inspector because criminal case arising out of FIR No.14 dated 20.01.2017 under Sections 420 & 120-B of Indian Penal Code, 1860 ('IPC') registered at Police Station Phillaur, District Jalandhar is pending against him. There were two FIRs against him. He has been acquitted in trial arising out of FIR No.117 dated 07.06.2016 under Sections 448, 427 & 511 IPC registered at Police Station Phillaur District Jalandhar Rural by the Trial Court vide judgment dated 28.03.2025 (Annexure P-7).



3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner is on the verge of retirement. During the pendency of FIR(s), he cannot claim promotion, however, his claim ought to be adjudicated as soon as trial concludes.

4. Mr. Aman Dhir, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab, who on advance notice is present in Court on behalf of the respondent-State, submits that respondent has followed sealed cover procedure, thus, as soon as petitioner’s fate in criminal case would be decided, the State, as duty bound, shall open sealed cover and declare the result. The State will also consider applicable Rules and Regulations.

5. In the wake of statement of both sides, the petition stands disposed of.

6. The Court is sanguine of the fact that competent authority will open sealed cover within shortest possible time as soon as trial arising out of FIR No.14 dated 20.01.2017 is concluded.

(JAGMOHAN BANSAL)
JUDGE

28.07.2025
Mohit Kumar

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