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

CWP-23903 of 2025 (O&M)

Date of decision : November 26, 2025

Malkit Singh**..... Petitioner****Versus****State of Punjab and others****..... Respondents****CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASGURPREET SINGH PURI**

Present :-Mr. A.D. S. Jattana, Advocate and
Mr. Mandeep Singh Gill, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Raghav Goel, AAG., Punjab.

JASGURPREET SINGH PURI, J (Oral)

1. Learned State counsel on instructions from Dr. Navreet Kaur, District Controller, Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs, S.A.S.Nagar, Mohali who has appeared in Court today has submitted that the impugned order dated 05.06.2025 (Annexure P-3) whereby the license of the petitioner was suspended will be withdrawn within two days from today keeping in view the fact that the order was passed without giving any effective show cause notice to the petitioner and the suspension was for indefinite period of time which was in violation of the Rule 15 of the Punjab Targeted Public Distribution System (Licensing & Control) Order, 2016.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in view of the statement made by learned counsel for the State on instructions from Dr. Navreet Kaur, District Controller, Food, Civil Supplies &

Consumer Affairs, S.A.S.Nagar, Mohali, the present writ petition can be disposed of as having been rendered infructuous.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner, at this stage submits that even the notice which was issued to the petitioner ought to have been withdrawn, even if the order which was passed on the same date for suspension of the license has been withdrawn and therefore the writ petition should not be rendered infructuous. This Court is unable to agree with the learned counsel for the petitioner. When the order itself by which the petitioner's license has been suspended is stated to be withdrawn within a period of two days as submitted by the learned counsel for the State on instructions from Dr. Navreet Kaur, District Controller, Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs, S.A.S.Nagar, Mohali, then there is no need to withdraw the notice and therefore, the contention raised by learned counsel for the petitioner is hereby rejected.

4. It is also clarified that the withdrawal of the suspension order itself would not preclude the State-respondents to pass any order in accordance with law or to proceed against the petitioner, in case it is so permissible in law.

5. The writ petition is disposed of as having been rendered infructuous.

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(JASGURPREET SINGH PURI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether Reportable :

Yes/No
Yes/No