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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

(106)

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Date of decision: - 20.08.2025

Laxmi Kumari

....Petitioner

Versus

Vineet Garg and another

.....Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS BAHL

Present:- Mr. Shamsheer Singh Patter, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Jagdish Manchanda, Addl. A.G., Haryana.

VIKAS BAHL, J. (ORAL)

1. Present contempt petition has been filed under Sections 11 and 12 of the Contempt of Courts Act, 1971 for violating the order dated 05.05.2016 passed by the Co-ordinate Bench of this Court.

2. Learned State counsel has pointed out that in pursuance of the order passed in the case of the present petitioner, the order dated 07.10.2022 had already been passed giving reasons for replacing the present petitioner. It is submitted that the present contempt petition has been filed in the year 2025 and is barred by limitation as per Section 20 of the Contempt of Courts Act, 1971, which provides as under: -

“20. Limitation for actions for contempt.- No court shall initiate any proceedings of contempt, either on its own motion or otherwise, after the expiry of a period of one year from the date on



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which the contempt is alleged to have been committed. ”

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the order dated 07.10.2022 is not in accordance with law but submits that in view of the objection taken on behalf of the respondents-State, the petitioner be permitted to withdraw the present contempt petition with liberty to institute appropriate proceedings in accordance with law to challenge the order dated 07.10.2022.

4. In view of the above, the present contempt petition is dismissed as withdrawn, with the aforesaid liberty.

August 20, 2025
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(VIKAS BAHL)
JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking?
Whether reportable?

Yes/No
Yes/No