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

Sr. No.114-a

**CWP-30411-2025 (O&M)
Date of decision: 12.11.2025**

Karan Goyal

..... Petitioner

VERSUS

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPINDER SINGH NALWA

Present: Mr. Ranjit Singh Kalra, Advocate, for the petitioner.

DEEPINDER SINGH NALWA, J. (Oral)

1. In the present writ petition, the petitioner has challenged the order dated 30.04.2025 (Annexure P-8), whereby the case of the petitioner was kept in sealed cover in spite of the fact that the enquiry officer has submitted his report on 29.05.2024 (Annexure P-6), wherein charges leveled against the petitioner was not found to be proved. In the petition, the petitioner has also challenged the charge-sheet dated 16.10.2023 (Annexure P-3).

It has been also prayed in the writ petition that the respondents may be directed to conclude the departmental proceedings in a time-bound manner on the basis of enquiry report dated 29.05.2024 (Annexure P-6). It has further been prayed that a direction may also be given to respondent No.1 to consider the case of the petitioner for promotion to the post of Labour-cum-Conciliation Officer w.e.f. 30.04.2025, i.e. the date on which the case of the petitioner was kept in sealed cover along with all

2. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner fairly submits that during the pendency of the writ petition, enquiry report has been submitted by the enquiry officer, whereby exoneration of the petitioner was accepted by the punishment authority. He further submits that the petitioner has also been promoted on the post of Labour-cum-Conciliation Officer vide order dated 06.11.2025. Learned counsel submits that although the petitioner has been promoted on the post of Labour-cum-Conciliation Officer on 06.11.2025, however as per the law, the petitioner was entitled to be considered for promotion w.e.f. 30.04.2025, the date on which the case of the petitioner was kept in sealed cover along with all the consequential benefits.

3. In light of the order dated 06.11.2025 passed by the respondents, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner submits that the present writ petition may be disposed of with liberty to challenge the abovesaid order dated 06.11.2025 along with all pleas which are available to the petitioner as per the law.

4. In view of the above, the present petition is disposed of with liberty aforesaid.

5. Pending miscellaneous application(s), if any, also stand(s) disposed of.

(DEEPINDER SINGH NALWA)
JUDGE

12.11.2025
Ramandeep Singh

Whether speaking / reasoned
Whether Reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No