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AT CHANDIGARH**

CWP-7820-2026 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 16.03.2026

Salman Khan

...Petitioner

Versus

Permanent Lok Adalat and Another

...Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAGMOHAN BANSAL

Present:- Mr. Abnash Singh Bakshi, Advocate
for the petitioner.

JAGMOHAN BANSAL, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioner through instant petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India is seeking setting aside of order dated 19.11.2025 whereby learned Permanent Lok Adalat, Mansa (for short 'PLA') has dismissed his application seeking refund of Rs.14,19,650/- paid by him as fee for the course of BDS.

2. The petitioner was admitted by respondent in the course of BDS. The first session was 2015-16. He had to complete course within five years. He could not qualify his first year semester exam held in May' 2016. He failed in all the subjects. He was provisionally admitted in 2nd Semester. He re-appeared in the exams of first semester held in November' 2016. He again could not qualify. The situation remained till May' 2018. He was promoted to 2nd year course in 2018 subject to clearance of 1st year exams up to 2019. He continued to study till May' 2019, however, could not clear 1st year exam even in 7 attempts. He remained in hostel till May' 2019. He filed application before PLA

seeking refund of his fee along with interest. PLA by impugned order has rejected his application.

3. Learned counsel representing the petitioner submits that PLA has blindly relied upon examination of Principal of College. There was no evidence on record disclosing that petitioner availed seven opportunities to clear exam of first year. His claim has further been rejected on the ground of limitation.

4. The petitioner concededly got admission in the Course of BDS which started in July' 2015. He was supposed to complete said Course within five years. He appeared in the first year examination held in May' 2016. He was declared fail. He remained with College till May' 2019. He during the said period, paid a sum of Rs.14.19 Lakhs towards fee. He was not issued degree. He requested the respondent to refund his fee of Rs.14.19 Lakhs. The respondent rejected his request, thus, he approached learned PLA which rejected his petition vide impugned order dated 19.11.2025.

5. From the perusal of impugned order, it comes out that learned PLA has noticed that petitioner despite being given seven opportunities could not year first year examination. He remained with respondent-College till May' 2019. He availed hostel facilities. He was promoted to 2nd year, however, subject to passing first year examination. As noticed hereinabove, he could not clear first year examination, thus, was not issued degree. He started claiming refund of his fee. As he remained with respondent-College till May' 2019 i.e. from July' 2015 to May' 2019 and availed all facilities, he was liable to pay fee. It was his fault that he could not clear first year examination despite multiple

opportunities. Learned PLA has recorded factual findings after noticing documents on record. There is no manifest factual or illegal infirmity in the impugned order. As per Section 22E, order passed by learned PLA is final.

5. In the wake of above discussion and findings, the petition stands *dismissed*.

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

(JAGMOHAN BANSAL)
JUDGE

16.03.2026
Prince Chawla

Whether Speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	Yes/No