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AT CHANDIGARH**

CWP-10055-2026

Date of Decision : 06.04.2026

UNION OF INDIA AND OTHERS

.....Petitioners

VERSUS

KARTAR SINGH AND ANOTHER

.....Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK MANCHANDA**

Present: Ms. Shalini Atri, Senior Panel Counsel
 for the petitioners-Union of India.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI, J. (Oral)

1. In the present petition, the challenge is to the impugned order dated 26.11.2025 passed by the learned Central Administrative Tribunal, Chandigarh in OA No.060/00628/2023 whereby, the Tribunal has upheld the impugned penalty order dated 30.08.2022 (Annexure A-3 in O.A) and the appellate order dated 23.11.2022 (Annexure A-6 in O.A).

2. The only argument raised by the learned counsel for the petitioners is that even if the earlier disciplinary proceedings were set aside by the Tribunal on the ground that respondent No.1-Kartar Singh, was not served and that charges leveled against him could not be proved due to deficiency of evidence, an opportunity should have been given to the petitioners to hold the disciplinary proceedings afresh in accordance with law, which liberty has not been given. Hence, the petitioners would be satisfied in case liberty is granted to them to hold the disciplinary

proceedings in respect of the chargesheet served upon respondent No.1, Kartar Singh, in accordance with law.

3. It goes without saying that in case the petitioners have a right to pursue the departmental proceedings against respondent No.1-Kartar Singh, even as of now and they can go ahead with conducting the same in accordance with law, as nothing in this order restrains them from adopting such a course of action.

4. The present writ petition is dismissed with the observations made hereinbefore.

(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

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Sapna Goyal

(DEEPAK MANCHANDA)
JUDGE

NOTE: Whether speaking/ reasoned: YES
Whether reportable: NO