



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

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CWP-12776-2026

Date of decision : 27.04.2026

Rajesh Kalia

....Petitioner

V/S

Guru Nank Dev University Amritsar and others

....Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAMIT KUMAR

Present: Mr. Namish Sodhi, Advocate for the petitioner.

NAMIT KUMAR, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioner has filed the instant petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India, seeking issuance of a writ of certiorari for quashing the order dated 04.08.2025 (Annexure P-12), passed by the Registrar, Guru Nank Dev University, Amritsar, whereby penalty in the form of recovery of Rs.1,31,234/- has been imposed upon the petitioner and for quashing of Syndicate decision dated 27.05.2019 (Annexure P-5); fact finding inquiry report dated 20.08.2020 (Annexure P-6); Syndicate decision dated 21.09.2020 (Annexure P-7); Syndicate meeting opinion/decision (Annexure P-11) and all consequential proceedings arising therefrom.

2. On receipt of advance copy of the petition, Mr. M.K. Dogra, Advocate has put in appearance on behalf of the respondents No.1 & 2-University and has produced copy of proceedings of the Syndicate dated 17.03.2026 which is taken on record. Vide said proceedings, the following decision has been taken :-

“It was decided that a Committee be constituted by



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the Vice Chancellor to re-look into the whole matter and make necessary suggestions which will be brought to the meeting of the Syndicate. However, till that date the recovery process will go on (No change).”

3. Learned counsel for respondents No.1 & 2-University submits that since the whole matter is being re-looked by the University, therefore, no directions are required to be issued in the instant petition at this stage.

4. In this view of the matter, the instant petition has been rendered infructuous and the same is disposed of accordingly.

5. However, it is made clear that after re-consideration, if any order of recovery is intended to be passed against the petitioner, the petitioner should be given due opportunity of hearing before passing of the said order and till then, no further recovery shall be effected from him and if the decision would be in favour of the petitioner, the amount, if any, already recovered from him shall be refunded forthwith.

27.04.2026

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(NAMIT KUMAR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether Reportable: Yes/No