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

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**CWP-12586-2024 (O&M)
Date of decision : 16.04.2026**

SATNAM SINGH

..... Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

..... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPINDER SINGH NALWA

Present :- Mr. Karan Bhardwaj, Advocate and
Mr. Jasbir Singh Mohri, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. N. P. S. Hira, DAG, Punjab.

Deepinder Singh Nalwa, J. (Oral)

1. In the present writ petition, the petitioner has challenged the order dated 28.03.2024 (Annexure P-9) passed by respondent No.2 vide which, the representation of the petitioner seeking promotion to the post of ASI has been rejected on account of the pendency of a criminal case.

2. The only grievance of learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner is that even if, a criminal proceeding is pending against the petitioner, the case of the petitioner is still required to be considered for promotion. It is contended that consideration for promotion is a condition of service. Learned counsel further submits that in light of instructions dated

27.02.1998 (Annexure R-1) issued by Department of Personnel and

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Administrative Reforms, Government of Punjab, the case of the petitioner was to be kept in sealed cover after consideration of his case for promotion on the post of ASI.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner also submits that petitioner has also submitted representation dated 11.02.2026 (Annexure P-10) for sending him for Upper School Course which is necessary for further promotion to the post Assistant Sub-Inspector and the said representation has not yet been decided by the respondents. It is submitted that a direction may be given to the respondents to decide the representation submitted by the petitioner, in a time bound manner.

4. Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Kulwinder Singh, 187, Khanna, submits that in light of the abovesaid instructions dated 27.02.1998 (Annexure R-1), the case of the petitioner was duly considered for promotion on the post of ASI and the same has been kept in a sealed cover on account of pendency of the criminal proceedings. He further submits that after the conclusion of the criminal proceedings, the case of the petitioner will be considered for promotion, in accordance with law.

5. In light of the statement given by the learned State counsel, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the present writ petition may be disposed of with a direction to the respondents to decide the representation dated 11.02.2026 (Annexure P-10) submitted by the petitioner for undergoing Upper School Course.

6. In view of the above, the present petition is hereby disposed of with a direction to respondents to consider and decide the representation



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dated 11.02.2026 (Annexure P-10), submitted by the petitioner for undergoing Upper School Course within a period of 03 weeks from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order in accordance with law.

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

16.04.2026
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(DEEPINDER SINGH NALWA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable :	Yes/No