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

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Date of Decision: 21.05.2026

Baljit Kularia**...Petitioner****Versus****State of Haryana and others****...Respondents****CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAGMOHAN BANSAL**

Present: - Ms. Promila Nain, Senior Advocate with
Mr. Amit Thakur, Advocate and
Mr. Pranab Bansal, Advocate for the petitioner
Mr. Akshit Pathania, Assistant Advocate General, Haryana
Ms. Svaneel Jaswal, Advocate for respondent Nos.2 to 4

JAGMOHAN BANSAL, J. (Oral)

1. The petitioner through instant petition under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India is seeking setting aside of notices and memo dated 14.09.2021 issued to Station House Officer, Police Station, Hisar for lodging FIR against him. He is further seeking setting aside of judgment dated 02.03.2026 passed by learned Additional District Judge, Fatehabad and further notices dated 07.04.2026 and 08.05.2026.

2. The petitioner is a domestic consumer of respondent having Account No.2185122222. An electric blast occurred on 15.02.2021 in the electricity pole erected nearby his place of residence due to which the supply of electricity remained disrupted for a considerable time. Upon directions of concerned Junior Engineer of Dakshin Haryana Bijli Vitran Nigam (for short '**Nigam**'), officials carried out electricity restoration work. A Vigilance Team conducted inspection of petitioner's premises on 11.09.2021 and found irregularities entailing theft of electricity. Pursuant thereto,



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respondent-Nigam issued memo dated 14.09.2021 raising demand of ₹2,34,464/-. The respondent also issued memo dated 14.09.2021 raising demand of ₹24,000/- towards compounding charges and initiated steps to lodge FIR against him. He approached Civil Court by way of suit for declaration and permanent injunction which decreed the suit and held impugned notices illegal. Nigam preferred appeal before learned Additional District Judge, Fatehabad which came to be allowed vide judgment dated 02.03.2026 holding that jurisdiction of Civil Court is barred under Section 145 of Electricity Act, 2003.

3. Learned counsel for the parties are *ad idem* that petition may be disposed of in terms of judgment of this Court in ***Rattan Singh v. State of Haryana and others, Law Finder Doc ID #2869383***.

4. In the wake of statement of both sides, the petition stands disposed of in terms of judgment passed in ***Rattan Singh (supra)***.

(JAGMOHAN BANSAL)
JUDGE

21.05.2026

Mohit Kumar

Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No