



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

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RSA-870-2008 (O&M)

Date of decision:- 17.03.2026

State of Haryana and ors.

...Appellants

VS.

Gulab Singh

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE SUDEEPTI SHARMA

Present:- Mr. Harish Nain, A.A.G. Haryana

SUDEEPTI SHARMA, J. (Oral)

1. The present regular second appeal is preferred against judgment and decree dated 11.12.2007 passed by learned District Judge, Karnal, whereby the appeal filed by the respondent against the judgment and decree dated 09.05.2006 passed by learned Civil Judge (Jr. Divn.), Karnal was allowed and the civil suit filed by respondent challenging order dated 23.02.1999 passed by reporting and accepting officer and order dated 22.10.2002 of appellate authority whereby adverse entries in the ACR of the respondent for the year 1997-1998 was made, was decreed in his favour. The appellants were directed to expunge the adverse remarks relating to the integrity of the respondent during the year 1997-98. After expunging the above remarks, the reporting officer was directed to assess the overall gradation of the respondent during the year 1997-98.

2. On 26.11.2025, since no one had put in appearance on behalf of the respondent, Registry was directed to issue notice to the respondent as well as his counsel. Thereafter, on 23.01.2026, as per report of the registry, respondent was reported to have expired. Learned State counsel sought time



present appeal or not and to file application for impleadment of legal heirs.

3. Today, no application for impleadment has been filed. Learned State counsel contends that the appellants are not able to contact the legal heirs of the respondent.

4. In view of the above, the present appeal is dismissed.

5. Liberty is however granted to the appellants to revive this appeal, in case any cause of action survives.

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

17.03.2026

Gaurav Arora

(SUDEEPTI SHARMA)

JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes

Whether reportable

No