



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

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**CM-1213-LPA-2025 in/and
LPA-66-2022 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 18.03.2026**

Rajinder Paul**....Petitioner****Versus****Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited and others****....Respondents**

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS SURI**

Present: Mr. Vipin Kumar, Advocate
for the appellant.

Mr. Raman Sharma, Advocate
for respondents No.1 and 2 – BPCL.

Mr. Akshay Jain, Advocate
for respondent No.3.

Harsimran Singh Sethi, J. (Oral)

1. In the present appeal, the challenge is to the order dated 16.09.2019 passed in CWP-13780-2019 by the learned Single Judge, by which, the writ petition filed by petitioner (respondent No.3 herein) has been allowed and e-mail dated 16.05.2019 (Annexure P-8) sent by Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited, in terms of which, the petitioner has been held ineligible for award of retail outlet dealership at Village Ambehra, Tehsil Bangana, District Una under SC Category for Group-1 category, has been quashed.

2. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of respondent No.3-writ petitioner submits that she is present in Court today and, as per her



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instructions to her counsel Mr. Akshay Jain, Advocate, her writ petition though decided by the learned Single Judge in her favour, be treated as withdrawn, keeping in view the allegation of forged land lease deed.

3. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of respondent No.3 further submits that the writ petition filed for the implementation of the order passed by the learned Single Judge in CWP-13780-2019 will also be withdrawn and a formal application to this effect will be moved within a period of 07 days.

4. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the appellant submits that the judgment impugned was based upon the writ petition filed by the respondent No.3, which is now sought to be withdrawn; therefore, the present appeal be treated as having been rendered infructuous.

5. Ordered accordingly.

6. Learned counsels appearing on behalf of the appellant as well as on behalf of respondent No.3 submit that let the concerned location be advertised afresh by the Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL) and in case, the parties are eligible to apply for the same, then they be given due consideration.

7. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the respondents No.1 and 2 – BPCL submits that though, respondent No.3 was the selected candidate and it was the appellant who was next in selection but there was another candidate also, who had competed.

8. Keeping in view the fact that the location was advertised 07 years ago and the said location could not be operated due to the pendency of the litigation, let the location site be advertised again for the consideration of all



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the eligible candidates especially when the third person has not raised any claim as of now and 07 years have elapsed.

- 9. Disposed of in above stated terms.
- 10. Pending applications, if any, also stand disposed of.

(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

March 18, 2026
Varinder

(VIKAS SURI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes
Whether reportable : No