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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CWP-24830-2025

Date of decision: 31.01.2026

HARPAL SINGH

...Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

...Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASGURPREET SINGH PURI

Present:- Mr. Shakti Mehta, Advocate for the petitioner.

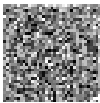
Ms. Shruti, AAG, Punjab.

JASGURPREET SINGH PURI, J. (Oral)

1. The present Civil Writ Petition has been filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India seeking issuance of a writ in the nature of *mandamus* directing respondents No.2 and 3 to renew the arms licence of the petitioner with a further prayer to direct respondent No.2 to decide the representation dated 03.03.2025 (Annexure P-7) filed by the petitioner.

2. In pursuance of the order passed by this Court on 13.01.2026, Ms. Isha Singal, PCS, Additional Excise and Taxation Commissioner (Admn.), Patiala, is present in the Court today and has tendered an unconditional apology, which is accepted.

3. Ms. Shruti, AAG, Punjab submitted on instructions from the aforesaid officer, who is present in the Court that the application, which is pending for renewal of licence of the petitioner will be considered and decided



by the licensing authority in accordance with law and after hearing the petitioner or his counsel, within a period of one month from today. She further submitted that so far as the show cause notice issued for cancellation is concerned, the same will not be pressed by the respondent-State since the application for renewal of licence is to be considered and decided.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that in view of the aforesaid statement made by the learned State counsel on instructions, the present petition may be disposed of accordingly.

5. In view of the above, the present Civil Writ Petition is disposed of accordingly.

31.01.2026
Chetan Thakur

(JASGURPREET SINGH PURI)
JUDGE

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