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

RSA-2199-1995 (O&M)
Date of decision: 11.08.2025

State of Punjab

...Appellant

Versus

Balbir Singh

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS BAHL

Present: Mr. Surya Kumar, AAG, Punjab, for the appellant.

Mr. Kulvir Narwal, Advocate for the respondent.

VIKAS BAHL, J. (ORAL)

1. Respondent-plaintiff had filed a suit for declaration to the effect that the termination of services of the plaintiff on 03.05.1988 instead of 30.05.1988 was illegal, null and void. The suit was decreed and the appeal filed by the State of Punjab was dismissed.

2. On 14.05.2024, a Coordinate Bench of this Court had passed the following order:-

“Present: Mr. Brijesh, AAG, Punjab, for the appellant.

Mr. Kulvir Narwal, Advocate & Mr. Shubham

Chaudhary, Advocate for the respondent.

Mr. Narwal submits that the respondent was reinstated and has retired from service on attaining the age of superannuation.



State counsel shall get instructions and file a specific affidavit regarding the status of the respondent.

List on 05.08.2024.

14.05.2024”

3. Learned State Counsel, on instructions from Dr. Akshay Bhargav, Law Advisor, Department of Health and Family Welfare, has referred to the written instructions dated 08.08.2025, as per which it has been stated that the respondent had retired on 29.02.2020 and is getting all the pensionary benefits.

4. Learned counsel for the State has submitted that in view of the subsequent events and also the fact that the respondent has retired and even pensionary benefits are being given to him, thus, the present appeal has been rendered infructuous and the same may kindly be disposed of as such.

5. In view of the above, the present appeal is disposed of as having been rendered infructuous. Liberty is however granted to the respondent to revive the same in case any cause survives to him.

6. All the pending miscellaneous applications, if any, shall stand disposed of in view of the abovesaid order.

11.08.2025

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**(VIKAS BAHL)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned:-

Yes/No

Whether reportable:-

Yes/No