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

RSA-2426-1997 (O&M)
Date of decision: 25.03.2025

State of Punjab and another

...Appellants

Versus

Sardul Singh

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS BAHL

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

None for the respondent.

VIKAS BAHL, J. (ORAL)

1. The respondent-plaintiff had filed a suit for declaration that the order dated 30.12.1992 bearing Endorsement No.7878-7900/ST/GM dated 30.12.1992 stopping three annual grade increments of the plaintiff with cumulative effect is illegal. The trial Court had dismissed the suit. The First Appellate Court on appeal filed by the respondent-plaintiff however allowed the appeal and set aside the order dated 30.12.1992 and held the respondent-plaintiff to be entitled to all the service benefits.

2. A perusal of the orders would show that there is no stay operating against the impugned judgment.

3. None had appeared on behalf of the respondent on the last date of hearing. On 09.01.2024, a Coordinate Bench of this Court had issued



notice to the respondent. As per the report of the Registry, the respondent has died. Today, none has appeared on behalf of legal representatives of the respondent.

4. Learned State Counsel for the appellants, on instructions from Mr. Bharat Bhushan, Assistant Punjab Roadway, Pathankot, has submitted that in view of the said subsequent event, the present appeal be disposed of at this stage but liberty be granted to both the parties to revive the same in case any cause arises.

5. In view of the above, the present appeal is disposed of at this stage with liberty aforesaid.

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

25.03.2025

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**(VIKAS BAHL)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned:-

Yes/No

Whether reportable:-

Yes/No