



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

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**RSA-211-1998 (O&M)  
Decided on: 19.03.2025**

State of Punjab and another

. . . Appellants

Versus

Ragbir Singh

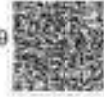
. . . Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS BAHL****PRESENT: Mr. Surya Kumar, AAG, Punjab.**

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**VIKAS BAHL, J.(ORAL)**

1. The respondent-plaintiff had filed the suit for declaration and mandatory injunction seeking declaration to the effect that date of birth of the plaintiff is 22.12.1936. The said suit was decreed by the trial Court and the appeal filed by the State was dismissed. Vide order dated 23.03.1998, a Coordinate Bench of this Court, while admitting the matter, had stayed the operation of the judgment under appeal. The said stay has continued till date.
2. None had appeared on behalf of the respondent on the last date as well as today.
3. Learned counsel for the appellant, on instructions from Ajay Garg, Executive Engineer, Sangrur, has submitted that the respondent after the retirement has died and in all probability, no one on his behalf wishes to defend the present appeal, thus, in view of the said subsequent events, the present appeal be disposed of as having been rendered infructuous at this stage but liberty may be granted to the appellant to revive the appeal, in case, the legal representatives of the respondent approach the concerned Department for implementation of the judgment of the trial Court and the Appellate Court.



3. In view of the above, present appeal is disposed of as having been rendered infructuous at this stage with the aforesaid liberty.

4. Liberty is also granted to the legal representatives of the respondent to revive the appeal, in case, any cause of action survives.

5. Registry is directed to send the copy of the present order to the respondent on the address mentioned in the memo of parties.

19.03.2025

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*Whether reasoned/speaking?  
Whether reportable?*

*Yes/No  
Yes/No*

**(VIKAS BAHL)  
JUDGE**