

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

**C.O.C.P. No.1013 of 2015**

**Date of Decision: 18.01.2017**

Krishan Lal, Retired Forester

..... Petitioner

*Versus*

Mr. Ghanshyam Sukla, I.F.S., Conservator of Forest,  
Central Circle, Rohtak

..... Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASWANT SINGH**

Present: Mr. S.K.Daaria, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Shubhra Singh, Additional Advocate General, Haryana.

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**JASWANT SINGH, J. (Oral)**

The petitioner was working as a Forest Guard and on account of certain loss of plantations, two orders dated 25.02.2014 and 18.03.2014 were passed by the D.F.O., ordering recovery of different amounts under Para 8 of the Forest Manual. The statutory appeal was filed before the Conservator of Forest by the petitioner against the aforesaid two recovery orders. A separate charge-sheet dated 04.04.2013 was issued regarding “*loss of Trees and less survival of plantations*”. The petitioner filed reply to the charge-sheet on 12.06.2013. Since no action was being taken on the appeal, as also in the pending disciplinary proceedings, he filed CWP No.22794 of 2014, which was disposed of vide order dated 10.11.2014 with a direction to decide the charge-sheet, as also the pending statutory appeal within two and three months, respectively, from the receipt of certified copy of that order. Since the needful was not completed within time, hence this contempt petition.

Upon notice, reply has been filed.

At the time of hearing, learned Counsel for the petitioner concedes that the present contempt petition has become infructuous as the statutory appeal has been decided, as also the disciplinary proceedings.

Accordingly, the present petition stands dismissed as infructuous.

**January 18, 2017**

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**(JASWANT SINGH)  
JUDGE**

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether Reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>