



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

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**RSA-3787-2000 (O&M)**

**Decided on:13.01.2025**

Punjab State Electricity Board and others

. . . Appellants

Versus

Sant Singh

. . . Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS BAHL**

PRESENT: Ms. Rajwinder Kaur, Advocate (Through VC)  
for the appellants.

Mr. Gurcharan Dass, Advocate  
for the respondent.

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

1. Learned counsel for the respondent has pointed out that in the present case, the appellant-authority had retired the respondent-plaintiff w.e.f. a back date i.e. 31.01.1989 by virtue of the order dated 31.08.1992. It is further submitted that the first Appellate Court had declared the said order dated 31.08.1992, vide which the plaintiff had been retired with retrospective effect, to be illegal, null and void and against the principles of natural justice. It is submitted that once the plaintiff had actually worked for the present appellant, then the plaintiff could not have been retired from a back date. It is further submitted that the respondent had died on 25.10.2021 and thus, at any rate, no recovery can be made from him.

2. Learned counsel for the appellants has submitted that in view of the abovesaid facts and circumstances, the present appeal may be disposed of as having been rendered infructuous but liberty may be granted to the appellants to revive the appeal, in case, any cause of action survives.

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

**13.01.2025***Mehak*

*Whether reasoned/speaking?  
Whether reportable?*

*Yes/No  
Yes/No*

**(VIKAS BAHL)  
JUDGE**