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

**COCP No. 2671 of 2019 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 10.02.2025**

Hanuman Dass

..... Petitioner

Versus

Shri Alok Nigam, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary to
Govt. of Haryana, Forest & Wildlife Department, New
Haryana Civil Secretariat, Chandigarh and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARKESH MANUJA

Present: Mr. Chand Ram Olla, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Arun Beniwal, Sr. DAG, Haryana
for the respondents.

HARKESH MANUJA, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner, by way of present petition, seeks initiation of contempt proceedings against the respondents, alleging willful non-compliance of an order dated 30.07.2018 (**Annexure P-1**) passed by this Court in **CWP No. 13615 of 2016**, titled "**Hanuman Dass Versus State of Haryana and others**", which was disposed off in terms of judgment dated 13.05.2014 passed in **CWP No. 9151 of 2014**, titled "**Ramesh Kumar Forester Versus State of Haryana and others**" and the said order dated 13.05.2014 is extracted hereunder:-

“ A charge-sheet dated 28.05.2012 (**Annexure P-1**), was issued to the petitioner under Rule 7 of the Haryana Civil Services (Punishment and Appeal) Rules, 1987, to which he filed his reply on 10.07.2012 (**Annexure P-3**). However, no action has been taken thereon till date and the said proceedings are still pending before the authorities for the

last two years.

Learned counsel for the petitioner while making reference to the instructions dated 28.01.2009 (Annexure P-4) issued by the Government of Haryana, contends that the disciplinary proceedings should be completed within a period of one year.

Without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, this petition is disposed of by giving a direction to the respondents to take appropriate action on the charge-sheet (Annexure P-1) in accordance with the instructions (Annexure P-4) issued by the Government of Haryana.”

[2] Having failed to comply with the aforesaid order, the petitioner was compelled to approach this Court by filing the present contempt petition, which stood admitted vide order dated 18.10.2022 passed by this Court.

[3] Learned counsel for the respondents submits that the disciplinary proceedings arising out of the charge-sheet referred to in the order passed by the Writ Court, were concluded on 05.07.2019, holding the petitioner as guilty. He further points out that though the charge-sheet of the order dated 05.07.2019 was withdrawn vide office order dated 19.09.2019, however, the said withdrawal order was later nullified by a subsequent order dated 04.02.2020, thereby restoring the impact / effect of earlier order dated 05.07.2019.

[4] I have heard learned counsel for the parties and gone through the paper-book.

[5] A perusal of the record shows that compliance of the order passed by the Writ Court stands meted out with the passing of office order dated 05.07.2019 upon conclusion of the disciplinary proceedings; thus, in

the humble opinion of this Court, no further orders are required to be passed in the present petition, the same is **disposed off** accordingly.

[6] However, the petitioner, if at all aggrieved, shall be at liberty to avail his remedy in accordance with law against the order dated 05.07.2019 passed by Conservator of Forests, West Circle, Haryana, Hisar.

[7] Rule stands discharged.

[8] Pending miscellaneous application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed off.

February 10, 2025

**(HARKESH MANUJA)
JUDGE**

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