

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA  
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CIVIL APPEAL NO. 5350 OF 2007

RURAL DEVELOPMENT & PANCHAYAT, PUNJAB & ANR. Appellant(s)  
:VERSUS:  
PAWAN KUMAR Respondent(s)

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1. Heard Mr. Anil Soni, learned counsel appearing for the appellants in support of this appeal and Mr. Sunil Kumar, learned counsel for the respondent.

2. The respondent was a driver working under the appellants. According to the appellants, after about a year's service, he stopped coming for duty. As against that the case of the respondent is that his services were terminated by the appellants and the matter was taken to Labour Court. The Labour Court passed the award reinstating the respondent in service with continuity of service along with 50% back wages. This award of the Labour Court was challenged before the High Court. The High Court affirmed the award of the Labour Court granting reinstatement in service with 50% back wages.

3. Learned counsel for the appellants submits that the respondent has already been reinstated in service and the amount of back wages has also been paid to him.

4. Having heard the learned counsel for the parties and having seen the facts and circumstances of this case, in our view, the order passed by the High Court is just and proper and requires no interference. Whatever amount has already been paid to the respondent is sufficient to meet the ends of justice. This appeal is accordingly dismissed.

(H.L. GOKHALE)

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New Delhi;

