

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

RFA No. 839 of 1995 (O&M)
Date of decision: 13.8.2015

The State of Punjab and another

.. Appellants

v.

Surinder Singh and others

.. Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BINDAL

Present: Mr. Nilesh Bhardwaj, Advocate for the appellants.
None for the respondents.

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Rajesh Bindal J.

This order will dispose of RFA Nos. 839 and 842 of 1995, as the same arise out of a common award passed by the court below.

The State is in appeal seeking reduction in the amount of compensation awarded to the respondents-landowners for the acquired land.

Briefly, the facts of the case are that vide notification dated 11.10.1988, issued under Section 4 of the Land Acquisition Act, 1894 (for short, 'the Act'), State of Punjab sought to acquire the land, situated in village Mehra, Tehsil Dasuya, District Hoshiarpur, for constructing proposed Dasuya Distributory from R.D. 6804-5 Mtrs. to R.D. No. 10140 Mtrs. The Land Acquisition Collector (for short, 'the Collector'), vide award dated 17.10.1990, assessed compensation @ ₹ 18,393.60 per killa for chahi land; ₹ 14,528/- per killa for Barani land and ₹ 12,603.20 per killa of Gair mumkin kind of land. Dissatisfied with the award of the Collector, the land owners filed objections. On reference under Section 18 of the Act, the learned court below assessed compensation @ ₹ 74,400/- per killa for chahi land and ₹ 25,000/- per killa for Barani and Gair Mumkin kind of

land. Aggrieved against the award of learned court below, the State is before this court.

A perusal of the paper book shows that the amount involved in the appeal is merely ₹ 18,902.16 in RFA No. 839 of 1995 and ₹ 3,201.60 in RFA No. 842 of 1995. The acquisition having taken place about 27 years back and the amount of compensation already paid to the landowners, I do not find any reason to interfere with the impugned award at this stage.

Accordingly, the appeals are dismissed.

(Rajesh Bindal)
Judge

13.8.2015
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