

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

R.F.A No. 2608 of 1996 (O&M)

Date of decision :24.12.2015

Gurmukh Singh and others

..... Appellants

VS

Union of India

.... Respondent

Coram: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rajesh Bindal

Present: Mr. Arjun Lakhanpal, Advocate, for the appellants.

Mr. Deepak Sharma, Advocate, for U.T., Chandigarh.

Rajesh Bindal J.

The landowners are in appeal seeking enhancement of compensation for the acquired land.

Briefly, the facts of the case are that vide notification dated 23.6.1989, issued under Section 4 of the Land Acquisition Act, 1894 (for short, 'the Act'), Union Territory, Chandigarh sought to acquire land, situated in village Dhanas, Hadbast No.15, Union Territory, Chandigarh for soil conservation by Forest Department. The same was followed by notification, issued under Section 6 of the Act. The Land Acquisition Collector (for short, 'the Collector'), vide award dated 30.11.1990, assessed compensation @ ₹ 60,800/- per acre. Dissatisfied with the award of the Collector, the land owners filed objections. On reference under Section 18 of the Act, the learned court below upheld the award of the Collector. The same has been impugned by the landowners before this Court.

Learned counsel for the parties conceded that the claim made in the present appeal is squarely covered by the judgment of this court in R.F.A. No. 1887 of 1996—Dalbara Singh @ Darbara Singh (deceased) through LRs and others v. Union of India and others, decided on 4.1.2012.

For the detailed reasons recorded in Dalbara Singh @ Darbara Singh's case (supra), the present appeal is disposed of in the same terms.

24.12.2015

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(Rajesh Bindal)

Judge