

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

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Civil Writ Petition No.13625 of 2015

Date of Decision: July 10, 2015

Gram Panchayat village Golewala, Tehsil and District Faridkot

...Petitioner

Versus

Union of India and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH

Present: Mr. Padamkant Dwivedi, Advocate
for the petitioner.

AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH, J. (ORAL)

Counsel for the petitioner states that the petitioner is aggrieved of the closing of the unmanned level crossing Gate No.C-43 KM. No.367/5-6 in between stations of Golewala and Kasubegu on the Bathinda-Ferozepur railway line of Ferozepur Division of Northern Railways. Counsel contends that for closing the unmanned level crossing, permission of the State Government is required, which was not obtained by the Ministry of Railway. Petitioner being aggrieved had served a legal notice dated 09.09.2014 (Annexure P-4) upon respondents. He states that no response thereto has been received by the petitioner till date, although the General Manager, Northern Railways-respondent No.2 had sought the report of the Divisional Railway Manager, Divisional Office, Northern Railways, Ferozepur Division, Ferozepur Cantt.-respondent No.3, in the earlier representation dated 01.01.2014 (Annexure P-1) submitted by the petitioner but the fate thereof is not known to the petitioner.

Counsel for the petitioner states that the petitioner at this stage would be satisfied if a direction is issued to respondents 2 and 3, to consider

and decide the legal notice dated 09.09.2014 (Annexure P-4) within some specified time.

In view of the statement made by the counsel for the petitioner, without going into the merits of the case or commenting thereon, the present writ petition is disposed of with directions to the General Manager, Northern Railways, Baroda House, New Delhi and the Divisional Railway Manager, Divisional Office, Northern Railways, Ferozepur Division, Ferozepur Cantt.-respondents 2 and 3 respectively, to consider and decide the legal notice of the petitioner dated 09.09.2014 (Annexure P-4), within a period of three months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order. Decision so taken be conveyed to the petitioner within a period of one month thereafter.

July 10, 2015

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**(AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH)
JUDGE**