

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

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CWP No. 170 of 2015

DATE OF DECISION: July 15, 2015

Lance Naik Kuldeep Singh

.....Petitioner

VERSUS

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH

Present: Mr. Abhishek Arora, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH, J. (ORAL)

It is the contention of the counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner had applied under the policy of the Government of India, Ministry of Defence on Land concessions to Service Personnel serving in the Armed Forces dated 15.06.1964 read with 25.04.1967 (Annexures P-1 and P-2 respectively). The application of the petitioner dated 28.01.2014 (Annexure P-3) was forwarded by the Battalion, where the petitioner was serving, to the District Collector, District Mansa (Punjab). On the basis of the said forwarding of the application of the petitioner, the claim of the petitioner was recommended by the Commanding Officer on 29.01.2014 (Annexure P-5). A communication was received from the office of the Tehsildar, Budhlada by the regiment dated 02.09.2014 (Annexure P-6), whereby it was stated that there was no land in the name of the petitioner in village Bakshiwala, Tehsil Budhlada, District Mansa. Till date, no final decision

has been taken by The District Collector, Mansa (Punjab)-respondent No. 2 on the application of the petitioner.

Counsel for the petitioner states that the petitioner, at this stage, would be satisfied if a direction is issued to The District Collector, Mansa (Punjab)-respondent No. 2 to consider and decide the claim of the petitioner, which has been submitted and forwarded by the competent authority vide application dated 28.01.2014 (Annexure P-3) within some specified time.

In the light of the statement made by the counsel for the petitioner and without going into the merits of the case or commenting thereon, the present petition is disposed of with directions to The District Collector, Mansa (Punjab)-respondent No. 2 to consider and decide the claim of the petitioner, which has been submitted and forwarded by the competent authority vide application dated 28.01.2014 (Annexure P-3) within a period of two months' from the date of receipt of certified copy of the order. Decision so taken be conveyed to the petitioner forthwith.

In case the claim of the petitioner is accepted, the consequential benefits be also released to him at an early date preferably within a period of three months from the date of such decision.

July 15, 2015
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(AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH)
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