

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

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**CWP No.675 of 2015
Date of Decision: 15.01.2015.**

Parampal Singh and others**.....Petitioners****Versus****State of Punjab & others****.....Respondents**

**CORAM:HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SURYA KANT
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJ MOHAN SINGH**

Present: Mr. Kawaljyot Singh, Advocate
for the petitioners.

- 1. *Whether Reporters of local papers may be allowed to see the judgment ?***
- 2. *To be referred to the Reporters or not ?***
- 3. *Whether the judgment should be reported in the Digest?***

SURYA KANT, J. (ORAL)

The petitioners are the member Panchayat and residents of village Bainapur, Tehsil Phillaur, District Jalandhar. They allege that the private respondents No.6 & 10 to 16 are in illegal possession of the Gram Panchayat land which is reserved for common purposes.

It is averred that eviction proceedings have already been initiated under the Punjab Public Premises and Land (Eviction and Rent Recovery) Act, 1973 which are pending consideration before the District Development and Panchayat Officer-cum-Collector, Jalandhar. The petitioners allege that those proceedings are being delayed for wholly insufficient reasons.

It appears from the documents on record that the officers of the Panchayat Department are in correspondence with Sarpanch and other officials, but no effective action to remove the encroachment from the Gram Panchayat land have been taken.

Having heard learned counsel for the petitioners and taking into consideration the nature of relief sought by them but without expressing any views on the merits of the allegations, for which we have not heard the private respondents at this stage and we do not intend to pass any adverse order against them in their absence, the instant writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the District Development and Panchayat Officer-cum-Collector, Jalandhar, to take lawful, necessary and remedial action to ensure the eviction of the unauthorised occupants, if any, on the Gram Panchayat land.

Needful shall be done within a period of four months.

Ordered accordingly.

(SURYA KANT)
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