

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

RFA No. 5421 of 2015 (O&M)

Date of decision : 22.12.2015

Bijender and another

.. Appellants

versus

Estate Officer and others

.. Respondents

Coram: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rajesh Bindal

Present: Mr. S. P. Chahar, Advocate, for the appellants.

Ms. Vibha Tewari, Assistant Advocate General, Haryana.

Rajesh Bindal, J.

The present appeal has been filed by the appellants seeking enhancement of compensation for the acquired land.

Briefly, the facts of the case are that State of Haryana vide notification dated 24.1.2001, issued under Section 4 of the Land Acquisition Act, 1894 (for short, 'the Act') sought to acquire land situated in village Jakhoda, Tehsil Bahadurgarh, District Jhajjar for development of Industrial area. The same was followed by notification dated 22.1.2002 issued under Section 6 of the Act. The Land Acquisition Collector (for short, 'the Collector'), vide award No.6 dated 20.1.2004, assessed the market value of the acquired land @ ₹ 6,75,000/- per acre for nehri/ chahi and ₹ 4,00,000/- per acre for gair mumkin/ barani/ banjar kadim kinds of land. Aggrieved against the award of the Collector, the landowners filed objections which were referred to the learned court below, who keeping in view the material placed on record by the parties, assessed the compensation for the acquired land @ ₹ 14,56,000/- per acre. Now the landowners are before this Court.

Learned counsel for the appellants submitted that the claim made in the present appeal is squarely covered by the judgment of this Court in RFA No. 3787 of 2009- Gaje Singh and others vs State of Haryana and another, decided on 6.11.2015, whereby compensation for the land acquired vide same notification was further enhanced.

Learned counsel for the State did not dispute the aforesaid factual position.

Accordingly, for the reasons recorded in Gaje Singh's case (supra), the present appeal is disposed of in the same terms. However, the landowners shall not be entitled to interest for the period of delay in filing the appeal i.e. 2020 days, as per order dated 13.10.2015.

22.12.2015

vs

(Rajesh Bindal)
Judge