

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

**CM No.7773 of 2015 in/and
RA No.279 of 2015 in
CWP No.7372 of 2015
Date of Decision: 14.08.2015**

Rattan Singh (deceased) through his LRs
.....Petitioners

Versus

Director Rural Development & Panchayat, Punjab-Cum
Commissioner Punjab & others
....Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJIVE BHALLA
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMOL RATTAN SINGH**

Present: Mr. R.S.Chauhan, Advocate
for the applicant/petitioners.

Dr. Puneet Kaur Shekhon, Advocate
for respondent No.3.

RAJIVE BHALLA, J (ORAL)

Notice in the application for review was issued on the limited question of protecting the houses allegedly constructed by the applicants/petitioners.

Counsel for the applicants/petitioners states that as the petitioners have constructed houses and they are still in actual physical possession of their houses, order dated 28.04.2015, may be modified by granting liberty to the petitioners to approach the Gram Panchayat, to consider the petitioners' request for purchase of the land in dispute, under Rule 12 of the Punjab Village Common Lands (Regulation)

Rules, 1964.

Counsel for the Gram Panchayat submits that there are no houses but still if the petitioners file an application, it would be considered by the Gram Panchayat in accordance with law.

We have heard counsel for the parties and as notice in the review petition was issued, limited to the extent of protecting the houses, if any, constructed by the petitioners, dispose of the review petition by modifying order dated 28.04.2015, by granting liberty to the petitioners to file an application within three weeks, before the Gram Panchayat under Rule 12 of the Punjab Village Common Lands (Regulation) Rules, 1964 (as applicable to the State of Punjab), for purchase of the land in dispute. In case such application is filed, it shall be considered and decided by the Gram Panchayat in accordance with law within a period of two months of its filing. Dispossession of the petitioners shall remain stayed from their houses for this period of two months.

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