

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

**Civil Writ Petition No. 19481 of 2016
Date of Decision: 19.9.2016**

Surinderpal Singh and Others

.....Petitioners

Vs.

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAMESHWAR SINGH MALIK

Present : Mr. Nakul Sharma, Advocate
for the petitioners.

RAMESHWAR SINGH MALIK J. (ORAL)

Feeling aggrieved against the alleged inaction on the part of respondent authorities, petitioners have approached this Court, by way of instant writ petition under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India, seeking a writ in the nature of Mandamus.

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that when the genuine grievance of the petitioners was not being redressed by the respondent authorities, they finally approached respondent No.1 by way of legal notice dated 6.9.2016 (Annexure P-13), but the same is also pending decision. He further submits that the petitioners will be satisfied in case the Secretary to Government of Punjab, Department of Local Government-respondent No.1 is directed to consider and decide their legal notice, within a reasonable time.

Having heard the learned counsel for the petitioners and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, lest it should prejudice the rights of either of the parties, the Secretary to Government of Punjab, Department of Local Government-respondent No.1 is directed to look into the matter, consider the grievance of the petitioners, raised vide their legal notice dated 6.9.2016 (Annexure P-13) and decide the same, at an early date by passing an appropriate order thereon, strictly in accordance with law, but in any case within a period of six weeks from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order.

It is further directed that till appropriate order is passed on the legal notice of the petitioners, the Secretary to Government of Punjab, Department of Local Government- respondent No.1 shall not publish the final notification, so as to ensure that relevant provisions of law are meticulously complied with, before issuing the notification, if any.

With the abovesaid observations made and directions issued, present petition stands disposed of.

(RAMESHWAR SINGH MALIK)
JUDGE

19.9.2016
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Whether speaking/reasoned Yes/No
Whether reportable: Yes/No