

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

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CWP No.20633 of 2015.

Date of Decision: 07.01.2016.

Bhupinder Singh and anotherPetitioners.

VERSUS

State of Punjab and othersRespondents.

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HEMANT GUPTA
HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE SNEH PRASHAR**

Present: Mr. Ajay Pal Singh, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Manoj Bajaj, Additional Advocate General, Punjab.

HEMANT GUPTA, J. (ORAL)

The petitioners have sought a writ of mandamus for directing the respondents to release the amount of compensation on account of acquisition of their land for the widening of National Highway No.71.

In a reply on behalf of the Land Acquisition Collector, it has been inter-alia stated that issue regarding disbursement of the compensation amount has been referred to the Civil Court in exercise of the powers under Section 3H(4) of the National Highways Act, 1956. It is also pleaded that the petitioners have not impleaded Charanjit Singh and the legal heirs of Ajit Singh who have filed an application for not releasing the amount of compensation to the petitioners.

The petitioners have also produced an order passed by learned Additional District Judge, Sangrur dated 04.12.2015 to release half of the amount to petitioner No.1 subject to his furnishing security.

The matter is pending before the Civil Court in terms of Section 3H(4) of the National Highways Act, 1956. Thus, it shall be open to the petitioners to raise all questions of law and facts before such authority in accordance with law. Therefore, no further orders are called for in the present petition.

Disposed of.

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