

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CWP No.5466 of 2016

Date of Decision:-21.3.2016.

Gram Panchayat Village Ratul Bet

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SURYA KANT
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE P.B. BAJANTHRI**

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?

Present: Mr. Pankaj Jain, Advocate for the petitioner.

SURYA KANT, J. (ORAL)

The Gram Panchayat is said to have filed a statutory appeal titled as the **Gram Panchayat Ratul Bet Vs.Joginder Singh and others** challenging Mutation No.2576 sanctioned in the name of private respondents in respect of the land, which Gram Panchayat claims to have vested in it. In the instant writ petition, a direction is sought to the Collector, Ferozepur, before whom that appeal is pending to decide the same expeditiously. The above stated appeal is said to have been filed in August, 2014. In these circumstances, we dispose of this writ petition with a direction to the Collector, Ferozepur to take up and decide the said appeal in accordance with

principles of natural justice, as early as possible but not later than four months. As regard to the orders passed by Consolidation Officer dated 9.6.1995 and 25.8.1995, the Gram Panchayat shall be at liberty to urge before the Appellate Authority that these orders have no bearing on the merits of the case.

**(SURYA KANT)
JUDGE**

**(P.B. BAJANTHRI)
JUDGE**

March 21, 2016.

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