

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

COCP No.3042 of 2016

Date of Decision:-19.04.2017

Mange Ram.

.....Petitioner.

Versus

Sh. Suraj Mitra, IAS, Secretary & Ors.

.....Respondents.

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASWANT SINGH

Present:- Mr. Salil Bali, Advocate for the Petitioner.

Mr. B.S. Bhalla, Advocate for respondent nos.1 & 2.

Mr. Sidharth Sanwaria, Deputy Advocate General, Haryana.

JASWANT SINGH, J.(ORAL)

Agricultural land measuring 7 Kanal 6 Marla comprised in Khara No.57//7-1/2, 14 & 13//2 in village Berian, Tehsil and District Hisar was acquired by the National Highway Authority for widening of a National Highway 65. Since no compensation was being paid, the petitioner filed CWP No.8182 of 2016, which was disposed of vide order dated 2.5.2016 (P-1) with a direction to the authorities of the National Highway to release the amount along with interest as permissible in law within a period of three months from the date of receipt of certified copy of the order.

Since the needful was not done hence the present contempt was filed.

Upon notice respondent nos.1 & 2 have filed reply. It is

asserted that the entire compensation including that of the land owners belonging to village Bherian was released for disbursement, however, on account of the dispute of ownership qua the land of the petitioner raised by a co-sharer Satbir Singh, the compensation was deposited in the court of competent jurisdiction in the light of provisions of Section 3H Sub Section 4 of the National Highways Act 1956.

Faced with the aforesaid situation learned Counsel for the petitioner very graciously agrees that no further action would be warranted in the present contempt, however, prays for direction to be issued to the Court concerned for an early disposal of the pending adjudication regarding disbursement of the compensation for the aforesaid acquired land.

The prayer is reasonable and is also not opposed by the counsel for the respondents.

In view of the above, present contempt petition is disposed of as infructuous. The Appropriate Court of Additional District Judge, Hisar is directed to make all endeavors to dispose of pending adjudication for disbursement of the aforesaid compensation in a expeditious manner.

(JASWANT SINGH)
JUDGE

April 19, 2017
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<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether Reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>