

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH.

CWP No. 17853 of 2017

Date of Decision: August 22, 2017.

Gulshan Valecha

....Petitioner

Versus

State information Commission, Haryana and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE RAJAN GUPTA

Present: Mr. Gaurav Sharma, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr.Rohit Arya, AAG, Haryana

Rajan Gupta, J (Oral)

Limited prayer made in this writ petition is for modification of the order passed by State Information Commission in so far as it relates to imposing of penalty on respondent No.3 as envisaged by Section 20 (1) of Right to Information Act, 2005 for delay in supplying the information to the petitioner. It appears that petitioner moved an application seeking information regarding plot allotted by Wakf Board. He submitted application Annexure P/1 for this purpose. Same was considered by SPIO. Though the authorities under the Act agreed to supply the necessary information to the petitioner and gave a direction in this regard, same was supplied to him at the time when he filed second appeal before the State Information Commission. His grievance is that at the time of disposing of the matter it was incumbent upon the State Information Commission to impose appropriate penalty on respondent No.3 for delay in supplying the information and harassment caused to the petitioner. On due consideration

of the matter, I find no ground to interfere in the writ jurisdiction. Admittedly, the requisite information has been supplied to the petitioner. Some delay may have been caused due to procedural reasons. Counsel for the petitioner has informed that civil suit has also been filed on the basis of information supplied by the Board. There is no ground to interfere in the writ jurisdiction. Dismissed.

(Rajan Gupta)
Judge

August 22, 2017.

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