

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH.

CWP No. 26210 of 2016(O&M)

Date of decision : 10.05.2017

Shri Guru Arjun Dev Sports Club

.....Petitioner

Versus

Union of India and others

.....Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S.S.SARON
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DARSHAN SINGH

Present: Mr. Sehajbir Singh, Advocate
for the petitioner.

S.S.Saron, J.

The petitioner Shri Guru Arjun Dev Sports Club, Tarn Taran has filed the present Public Interest Litigation under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India seeking direction for nullifying/rescinding the Blue Cards issued by the State of Punjab under the 'New Atta-Dal Scheme' from April, 2016 to December, 2016 as the same were issued in an illegal manner and without following the prescribed procedure; besides, being in contravention of the provisions of the National Food Security Act, 2013 ('Act'-for short). A prayer for further direction has been made for directing the respondents to issue Blue Cards under the 'New Atta-Dal Scheme' after following the guidelines laid down by the respondent-State in consonance with the provisions of the Act.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that for the present, he may be allowed to withdraw the petition as it is hoped that the new Government that has been formed would, in any case, rescind the said scheme. However, he prays that liberty may be given to the petitioner to file a fresh petition in case the need so arises.

In the circumstances, the writ petition is dismissed as withdrawn with liberty to file a fresh one, in case, the need so arises. The question of *locus standi* of the petitioner to file the Public Interest Litigation shall, however, be kept open.

(S.S.SARON)
JUDGE

(DARSHAN SINGH)
JUDGE

May 10, 2017
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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether Reportable : Yes/No