

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CWP No. 3804 of 2017 (O&M)
Date of decision: 25.5.2017

Baltej Singh and others

.. Petitioners

v.

State of Punjab and others

.. Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BINDAL
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAMENDRA JAIN

Present: Mr. Karan Deep Singh Sidhu, Advocate for the petitioners.
Mr. P. S. Bajwa, Addl. Advocate General, Punjab.

Rajesh Bindal J.

Reply by way of affidavit of Jagtar Singh, Executive Engineer,
Eastern Canal Division, Ferozepur dated 25.5.2017 on behalf of respondents
No. 1 to 4 filed in court is taken on record.

The prayer made by the petitioners in the writ petition is that
the land owned by them was utilised by the State for construction of Ghanga
Kalan Reclamation Channel without acquisition thereof. The project was
finally abandoned but the petitioners were deprived of utilisation of the land
owned by them for all this period. Claim for compensation has been made.

In support of their case, the petitioners have placed reliance upon the orders

passed by this Court in CWP No. 11041 of 2009-Gurdeep Singh and others v. State of Punjab and others, decided on 10.2.2010 and CWP No. 8098 of 2011—Karnail Singh and others v. State of Punjab and others, decided on 11.7.2011.

Learned counsel for the State fairly submitted that the orders passed by this Court in Gurdeep Singh and others and Karnail Singh and others cases (supra) are being followed in all the cases, whose land was utilised for the purpose of construction of Ghanga Kalan Reclamation Channel, the project which was ultimately abandoned. The claims are being considered and the amount is being paid to the rightful owner. Needful in the case of the petitioners shall also be done within a period of three months from the date of receipt of copy of the order.

In view of the fair stand taken by learned counsel for the State, the writ petition is disposed of accordingly.

(Rajesh Bindal)
Judge

(Ramendra Jain)
Judge

25.5.2017
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Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether reportable:	Yes/No