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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH**

LPA no.341 of 2017 (O&M)

Date of Decision : 06.03.2017

Pargat Singh

....Appellant(s)

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondent(s)

**CORAM : HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE MAHESH GROVER
HON'BLE MR JUSTICE DR. SHEKHER DHAWAN**

Present : Mr.H.S.Batth, Advocate for the appellant

MAHESH GROVER, J.(ORAL)

This appeal is directed against the judgment of the learned Single Judge dated 7.2.2017 upholding the choice of the Collector of respondent no.4 as a Nambardar which is questioned by the appellant on the ground that he is more meritorious being a matriculate as against the selected candidate who is 5th pass. Besides, it has been contended that the appellant has more land than the selected candidate which would enable him to a more meritorious claim to the post of a Nambardar.

The Collector opined in favour of respondent no.4 and found her more responsible, active and straight-forward in her approach besides being recommended by all and sundry of the village. Evidently, the Collector had the opportunity to evaluate the relative merit of the candidates and the settled law in this regard is to respect the choice of a Collector unless some perversity is evidenced in it.

Learned Single Judge approved the choice of the Collector

similarly and we would have no reason to disagree with it once we find that the residents of the village have whole heartedly supported her candidature and there being no perversity in such an approach rather it seeks to enhance the cause of women empowerment.

No ground to interfere is made out. Hence, dismissed.

(Mahesh Grover)
Judge

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Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No

(Shekher Dhawan)
Judge