

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

RFA No.1818 of 2017(O&M)

Date of decision: 01.05.2017

Ram Devi (deceased) through her LRs and others

... Appellants

Versus

Union of India and others

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN PALLI

Present: Mr. Rajan Bhargava, Advocate for
Mr. Vishal Aggarwal, Advocate for the appellants.

ARUN PALLI J. (Oral)

CM-4698-CI-2017

This is an application for condonation of delay of 3398 days in filing the accompanying appeal.

All what has been urged by learned counsel for the applicants is that the matter in issue is squarely covered by the judgment, dated 17.02.2016, rendered by this court in RFA No.2902 of 1999 [**Union of India and another v. Major Pritam Singh and another**] and other connected cases, vide which in the appeals arising out of the same acquisition, this court had enhanced the compensation uniformly to Rs.2300/- per marla.

Notice to contesting respondents only.

Mr. RS Malik, Advocate accepts notice on behalf of the contesting respondents.

The factual position, as set out above, is not disputed by learned counsel for the respondents.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the record.

In the wake of the decisions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in *Imrat Lal and others v. Land Acquisition Collector and others*, 2015(2)

RCR (Civil) 437 and Dhiraj Singh (D) Tr. LRs. v. Haryana State and others, 2015 (2) RCR (Civil) 507, the delay of 3398 days in filing the accompanying appeal is condoned. However, to balance the equities, for the period of delay in filing the appeal the applicants shall not be entitled to any interest on the enhanced compensation.

CM stands disposed of.

CM-4699-4700-CI-2017

For the reasons set out in the applications, which are duly supported by affidavits, the same are allowed subject to all just exceptions. Consequently, the LR's of late Ram Devi d/o Phallo; Bihari Lal s/o Phallo (appellant No.1 and 3), as depicted in para 2 of the applications respectively, are brought on record for the purpose of pursuing the present appeal only.

CM-4701-CI-2017

Allowed as prayed for.

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For, the learned counsel for the parties are *ad idem* that the matter in issue is squarely covered by the decision rendered by this court in Major Pritam Singh's case (supra), the present appeal is disposed of in the same terms. However, the appellants shall not be entitled to interest on the enhanced compensation for the period of delay in filing the appeal i.e. 3398 days.

(Arun Palli)
Judge

May 1, 2017

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Whether speaking / reasoned : YES/NO
Whether Reportable : YES/NO