

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

COCP No.2595 of 2016 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 06.03.2018

AJIT SINGH

..... Petitioner

Versus

**BALRAJ SINGH, DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT AND PANCHAYAT,
OFFICER-CUM-COLLECTOR, GURDASPUR AND OTHERS**

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASWANT SINGH

Present: Mr. Dheeraj Mahajan, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mrs. Lavanya Paul, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab.

Mr. R.P.S. Mann, Advocate for respondent No.1.

Mr. Vijay Kumar Chaudhary, Advocate and
Mr. Onkar Rai, Advocate
for respondent No.3.

JASWANT SINGH, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner (Ajit Singh), is a proprietor and resident of village Sadda, Block Dorangla, Tehsil and District Gurdaspur and had filed a writ petition, seeking action against the encroachers of panchayat land in the village.

The said writ petition bearing CWP No.25007 of 2015 was disposed of by a Division Bench of this Court vide order dated 01.12.2015, directing the '*BDPO/Gram Panchayat to take an appropriate action in accordance with law within three months.*'

Since, the needful was not done within the stipulated time, hence the present contempt petition.

Upon notice, separate replies have been filed on behalf of BDPO/Gram Panchayat.

From the reply, it is born out that eviction petition under Section 7 of the Village Common Land (Regulation) Act, 1961, was duly filed by the Gram Panchayat, however, due to the encroachers, evading service, the proceedings were delayed.

Learned counsel for BDPO/respondent No.1 points out that, as of now, the *munaadi* for effecting service stands effected and probably the encroachers have been ordered to be proceeded *ex parte*, thus, he submits that the orders stand complied with.

In view of the above, no further action is warranted in the present contempt petition.

Dismissed.

The Collector concerned is directed to complete the ejectment proceedings expeditiously.

March 06, 2018

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**(JASWANT SINGH)
JUDGE**

<i>Whether Speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether Reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>