

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

CWP-200-2018

Date of decision:22.10.2018

Machinder Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE JITENDRA CHAUHAN

Present: Mr.Louish Rattan, Advocate for
Mr.CL Premy, Advocate for the petitioner

Ms.Ambika Bedi, AAG, Punjab

Mr.GS Sahota, Advocate for respondent No.3.

Ms.Jaspreet Kaur, Advocate for respondent No.5.

JITENDRA CHAUHAN, J.

The present writ petition has been filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India for directing respondent Nos. 2 and 3 for completing the enquiry into the complaint dated 10.4.2017 (Annexure P-8) made by the petitioner and take action against the persons, who have forged the signatures of Parminder Singh, Panch on the Agenda notices of the meetings dated 10.8.2015, 14.8.2015 and 17.8.2015 (Annexures P-1 to P-3).

Learned counsel for the State has circulated copy of Notification dated 16.7.2018, issued by the Government of Punjab, Department of Rural Development and Panchayat for conduct of general

election of the Gram Panchayats. The same is taken on record as Mark 'A'. He submits that vide said Notification dated 16.7.2018, the competent authority in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 29-A of the Punjab Panchayati Raj Act, 1994 has been pleased to dissolve all the Gram Panchayats in State of Punjab with immediate effect and further authorise the Director, Rural Development and Panchayats-cum- Special Secretary to appoint the persons, namely, Junior Engineers, Social Education and Panchayat Officers, Village Development officers and Panchayat Officers, subject to their availability in the respective Block, as the case may be, during the dissolution period of each such Gram Panchayat (i.e. till the new elected body assumes charges of office) to perform all the functions and exercise powers of the Gram Panchayats and as such, the present petition has been rendered infructuous.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has not controverted the submissions made by the learned State counsel.

In this view of the matter, all the petition stands dismissed as having been rendered infructuous.

22.10.2018
gsv

(JITENDRA CHAUHAN)
JUDGE

Whether speaking / reasoned?
Whether reportable?

Yes / No
Yes / No