

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

**CWP No. 25139 of 2018 (O&M)
DATE OF DECISION :- November 16, 2018**

Kanwaljit Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE A.B.CHAUDHARI
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE H.S. MADAAN**

Present:- Mr. Karanjeet Singh Brar, Advocate for the petitioner.
Mr. H.S. Grewal, Additional Advocate General, Punjab.
Mr. B.S. Sidhu, Advocate for caveator/respondent No.6.

A.B. Chaudhari, J. (Oral)

The grievance made by the petitioner in the present petition is that amalgamation of the Gram Panchayat has been made without following the proper procedure and considering the objections.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that this Court in extra ordinary Writ jurisdiction should entertain the present petition and record the findings of facts and make the adjudication.

We find that submission made is misconceived. In our considered opinion, the question of facts which have been raised in the present petition and to the disputed questions are required to be decided by the Director, Rural Development & Panchayats, Punjab by passing a

reasoned order. The Authority may or may not hear the parties as according to learned counsel for the respondent that is part of legislative function of the State. We, therefore, direct Director, Rural Development and Panchayats, Punjab to consider and pass a speaking order on the objections and grievances raised in the present petition, if the petitioner approach Director, Rural Development and Panchayats, Punjab within a period of one week from today, if necessary, after hearing the concerned parties. The Authority shall not entertain the request if filed after one week.

The petition stands disposed of with direction as aforesaid.

(A.B.CHAUDHARI)
JUDGE

(H.S. MADAAN)
JUDGE

November 16, 2018

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Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether Reportable

Yes/No