

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

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Civil Writ Petition No.4131 of 2018

Date of Decision: July 13th, 2018

Jagroop Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH

Present: Mr. Gopal Singh Nahel, Advocate
for the petitioner.

AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH, J. (ORAL)

Petitioner has approached this Court challenging the order dated 01.10.2014 (Annexure P-6) passed by the Joint Development Commissioner (I.R.D.), Punjab, whereby the appeal preferred by the petitioner stands dismissed.

2. There is an inordinate and unexplained delay on the part of the petitioner in approaching this Court after a period of more than three years. That apart, perusal of the record indicates that the petitioner is found to be in illegal possession of the land, which belongs to the Gram Panchayat. The said fact was ascertained as per the demarcation report dated 12.12.2011. Nothing has been produced on record by the petitioner before the authorities below indicating that he was in possession of the land since 26.01.1950.

3. In view of the above, the present petition is dismissed both on the ground of delay as well as on merits.

July 13th, 2018

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**(AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether Reportable:

Yes/No