

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

C.W.P. No. 38050 of 2018
Date of Decision: 21.12.2018

Sulakhan Singh and others

... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

Coram: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rajiv Sharma,
Hon'ble Mr. Justice Harinder Singh Sidhu

Present: Mr. A.D.S. Sukhija, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

Mr. Rajesh Bhardwaj, Senior Deputy Advocate General,
Punjab.

Rajiv Sharma, J.

It is not in dispute that the grievance made by the petitioners in this writ petition has not been redressed by the competent authority.

In our opinion, since the elections of the Gram Panchayat is to be held in the near future, we think it would be appropriate for the authority to decide the grievances/representation by passing a speaking order after granting opportunity of hearing.

Although the election process has already commenced, still in the interest of justice and in order to promote / strengthen the democracy at grass root level, we direct the competent authority to look into the grievances of the petitioners in just and fair manner and to do the needful in accordance with law. We hope and trust that since the election process has already commenced, the needful shall be done within a period of 48 hours.

It shall be the duty of the learned State counsel to convey today's order to the concerned quarters, duly attested by the Bench Secretary of this Court.

The writ petition stands disposed of accordingly.

(Rajiv Sharma)
Judge

21.12.2018
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(Harinder Singh Sidhu)
Judge

Whether speaking / reasoned : Yes / No

Whether reportable : Yes / No