

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

CWP-PIL No.57 of 2019
Date of decision: 20.03.2019

Parkash and others

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KRISHNA MURARI,
CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN PALLI, JUDGE**

Present: Mr. Priyanshu Kamra, Advocate, for the petitioner.
Mr. Shireesh Gupta, Senior Deputy Advocate General, Punjab.

ARUN PALLI, J. (Oral)

The petitioners are residents of village Kheowali Dhab, Tehsil and District Fazilka, who purport to have approached this Court in public interest.

A mandamus is prayed for commanding the respondents to ensure the removal of encroachments that have been caused over the village pond i.e. Chhapad, comprised in khewat No.655/579, khatoni No.1074, muraba and khasra No.149/2 (min), Hadbast No.253, even though the ownership of the pond vests in the Gram Panchayat. It is urged that the petitioners had even represented to the B.D.P.O., Block Khuian Sarwar, vide representation dated 09.10.2018 (Annexure P5) as regards their grievance, but to no avail.

Having argued the matter at some length, learned counsel for the petitioners submits that let this petition be disposed of, at this stage, only with a direction to the respondent-authorities to consider and dealt with the grievance of the petitioners within a specified time in the first instance.

In the wake of the above, and without commenting upon the merits of the case, we dispose of this petition only with a direction to the respondent-authorities that if any such representation, as indicated above, is pending consideration, the same shall be considered and decided within a period of four weeks from the receipt of certified copy of this order. Needless to assert that the authorities shall pass appropriate orders in accordance with law after affording an opportunity of hearing to all the stakeholders.

(Krishna Murari)
Chief Justice

(Arun Palli)
Judge

20.03.2019
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Whether speaking / reasoned:	YES
Whether Reportable:	NO