

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

CWP-PIL-253 of 2019

Date of decision : 09.12.2019

Rajiv Dhawan and another

.... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM :- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAVI SHANKER JHA, CHIEF JUSTICE  
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJIV SHARMA

Present: Mr. Tushar Sharma, Advocate,  
for the petitioners.

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**RAVI SHANKER JHA, CHIEF JUSTICE**

It is submitted by the learned counsel for the petitioners that in the present petition, the petitioners have raised several issues in respect of the furnishing of revenue records by the revenue department in the State of Punjab, which is playing in the hands of the real estate mafia. It is submitted that land of small and marginal farmers is being sold illegally on account of the fraud and collusion by the mafia and the authorities. It is stated that the farmers do not even come to know that their lands are transferred in favour of the real estate mafia. Learned counsel submits that the State is liable to develop a transparent mechanism, which is available to the general public, and records of the proceedings of the revenue courts in respect of their lands and the orders passed thereon, if any, should be made known to them.

It is submitted that the petitioners have filed a representation

before the Revenue Department, Punjab; Department of Housing and Urban Development, Punjab; Senior Superintendent of Police, Mohali; and the Deputy Commissioner, Mohali.

In view of the issues raised by the petitioners, we feel it appropriate that this petition be disposed of with a direction to the aforesaid authorities to look into the allegations made by the petitioners and take corrective measures, if so required.

With the aforesaid observations, it is directed that copy of this petition along with copy of order passed today is served by the petitioner on the said authorities, who may look into the matter, if so required. It is made clear that we are not expressing any opinion on the merits of the case.

Petition stands disposed of.

**( RAVI SHANKER JHA )**  
**CHIEF JUSTICE**

December 09, 2019  
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**( RAJIV SHARMA )**  
**JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether Reportable

Yes/No