

HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CWP-17430-2020
(Heard through VC)
Date of decision:28.10.2020

Sukhchain Kaur Sarpanch

....Petitioner

V/s.

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE RITU BAHRI.

Present: Mr. Nakul Sharma, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ritu Bahri, J. (Oral)

By this petition, the petitioner is seeking quashing of notice dated 01.10.2020 (Annexure P-8) whereby respondent No. 3 had started proceedings of the appointment of the Administrator for Gram Panchayat Doodiyan and further directing the official respondents to initiate the process of suspension of respondents No. 5 and 6 from the post of Panch in view of their conduct while invoking the powers envisaged in Section 20 (b) of Punjab Panchayati Raj Act, 1994 in view of representation filed on 28.09.2020 (Annexure P-7).

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that two prayers were made in this writ petition as stated above. The petitioner was challenging order dated 01.10.2020 (Annexure P-8) whereby notice was given to the Sarpanch that if development work is not carried out then Administrator will be appointed. He further submits that pursuant to this letter, the Administrator has already been appointed in village Doodiyan, District Sangrur. Hence, this prayer has been rendered infructuous. He further states that petitioner has made a complaint dated 28.09.2020 (Annexure P-

7) to the Director, Rural Development and Panchayats Department, Mohali against respondents No. 5 to 7 i.e. Panch.

Learned counsel for the petitioner further refers to order dated 30.08.2019 passed in CWP-22998-2019 (Annexure P-6) whereby guidelines have been issued that in case Panches do not cooperate in the development work of the village then they can be suspended under Section 20 (1)(d) of the Act.

Notice of motion.

Ms. Maloo Chahal, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of official respondents and Mr. A.K.Walia, Advocate puts in appearance on behalf of caveator.

Without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, this petition is being disposed of by giving direction to respondent No.2 to look into the complaint dated 28.09.2020 (Annexure P-7) given by the petitioner in accordance with law.

28.10.2020**Divyanshi****RITU BAHRI
(JUDGE)****Whether speaking/reasoned:****Yes/No****Whether reportable:****Yes/No**