

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

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CWP-1479-2021 (O&M)

Date of decision: 25.02.2021

GURMAIL SINGH

...Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL

Present : Mr. Gurbir Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.
Ms. Ambika Bedi, AAG, Punjab.

ANIL KSHETARPAL, J. (Oral)

The petitioner is a Sarpanch of Gram Panchayat, Village Gharacho, District Sangrur. He has filed this writ petition for issuance of directions to official respondents to take appropriate action against the erring Panchayat members who are not attending the various meetings of the Gram Panchayat on successive occasions.

On 05.02.2021, the following order was passed:-

“The petitioner, an elected Sarpanch, has filed this writ petition for directing the respondents to take action against respondent No.7 to 12- the Elected Panches of the Gram Panchayat, under Section 20(b) and 20(d) of the Punjab Panchayati Raj Act, 1994. The petitioner alleges that the respondents are not attending the meetings of the Gram Panchayat and therefore, are liable to be suspended/removed from the office of the Panches.

Ms. Maloo Chahal, DAG, Punjab, has informed the Court that on 22.01.2021, respondent No.7 to 12 did attend the meeting of the Gram Panchayat.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the respondents did not sign the proceedings. He prays for sometime to examine the matter in detail and make submissions.

Adjourned to 25.02.2021.”

Ms. Ambika Bedi, AAG, Punjab, learned counsel appearing for the State of Punjab has informed the Court that the private respondents/Panches have not only attended the meetings of the Gram Panchayat held on 30.09.2020, 12.10.2020 and 22.01.2021 but also signed the proceedings.

Keeping in view the aforesaid facts, no further order is required to be passed. However, liberty is granted to the petitioner to make a representation to the Collector/Deputy Commissioner of the District, if he has any grievance against the Panches.

Disposed off.

25.02.2021

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(ANIL KSHETARPAL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:
Whether reportable:

Yes / No
Yes / No