

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

CWP No.1372-2021

DATE OF DECISION : 21.01.2021

Gurmail Chand, Sarpanch

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA

Present : Mr. Vikas Arora, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Nikhil Chopra, AAG, Punjab.
(Presence marked through video conference).

ARUN MONGA, J. (ORAL)

Petition herein is under Article 226 of Constitution of India, inter alia, seeking issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing respondent No.2 to take decision on the recommendation of Block Development and Panchayat Officer and District Development Panchayat Officer, in accordance with law, against the erring panchayat members, who are not attending the gram panchayat meetings.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner submitted a detailed representation to respondent No.2 requesting the authority to conclude the inquiry in a time bound manner but to no avail. Hence, the instant petition.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that grievance herein is decision on representation dated 15.08.2020 (Annexure P-7) is not being taken in accordance with law.

4. Notice of motion.

5. Mr. Nikhil Chopra, AAG, Punjab, who has joined proceedings on service of advance copy of this petition appears and accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State of Punjab.

6. Given the nature of order being passed, there is no necessity to seek return by any of the respondents, as no further proceedings and/or pleadings are required.

7. Without commenting on the merits of the case, the writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the competent authority to look into the grievance of the petitioner as per representation dated 15.08.2020 (Annexure P-7) and also by keeping in view the contentions stated in the present petition by treating the same as supplementary representation and decide the same by passing a speaking order, in accordance with law, as expeditiously as possible.

January 21, 2021
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(ARUN MONGA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No
Whether reportable : Yes/No