

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

CWP-10850-2021 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 22.07.2021

SAROJ DEVI AND OTHERS

..... Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

..... Respondent(s)

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE LISA GILL

Present: Mr. Beant Singh Seemar, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. TPS Chawla, Dy. A.G., Punjab
for respondents no.1, 2 and 4.

Mr. TVS Lehal, Advocate for respondent no.3.
Mr. Jastej Singh, Advocate for respondent No.5.

LISA GILL, J.

This matter is being taken up for hearing through video conferencing due to outbreak of pandemic, COVID-19.

Prayer in this writ petition is for a direction to respondents no.1 to 6 to consider petitioners' demand for forming a Cooperative Milk Society for Women as per bye-law 3.2.11 of Bye-Laws of Milkfed and for issuance of direction to respondent no.6 to close the bank account allegedly set up illegally by respondents no.7 to 9 in the name of a Cooperative Milk Society (Women).

Learned counsel for the petitioners contends that, *de hors* the applicable provisions, an alleged cooperative society has been formed by respondents no.7 to 9 without approval of respondents no.1 to 5, whereas

petitioners have been agitating for formation of a cooperative society in accordance with law.

This writ petition was adjourned on 29.06.2021 to enable learned counsel for respondents no.1, 2, 3 and 4 to seek instructions whether any application had been submitted by the petitioners for formation of a cooperative society.

Mr. TVS Lehal, learned counsel for respondent no.3 and Mr. TPS Chawla, Dy. A.G., Punjab, on instructions from Kapil Kumar, Inspector, Cooperative Society, submit that no formal application whatsoever has ever been received by the respondents for formation of such cooperative society and in case a comprehensive representation is submitted by petitioners, same shall be considered in accordance with law.

Keeping in view the facts and circumstances as above, this writ petition is disposed of with a direction to Managing Director, Punjab State Cooperative Milk Producers Federation Limited (MILKFED) that in case, a comprehensive representation in regard to the grievances raised in this writ petition is submitted by petitioners within two weeks from today, same be considered and decided in accordance with law, within three months thereafter and in case of a decision adverse to the petitioners, same be by way of a speaking order.

22.07.2021

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**(Lisa Gill)
Judge**

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