

In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana, at Chandigarh

Civil Writ Petition No. 17611 of 2021

Date of Decision: 08.09.2021

Mohinder Pal and Others

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab and Others

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Anil Kshetarpal.

Present: Mr. Ramesh Sharma, Advocate
for the petitioner(s).

Ms. Kanica Sachdeva, Assistant Advocate General,
Punjab, for respondent No.1 to 7.

Anil Kshetarpal, J.

1. The petitioners are the residents of village Ramewal, Tehsil Nurmahal, District Jalandhar. Through this writ petition, the petitioners pray for issuance of a writ in the nature of certiorari to quash the impugned action of the respondent No.8.

2. In essence, the petitioners claim that they belong to a lower caste community and the Gram Panchayat is digging a pond to store and process the waste water. However, the pond has been designed in a manner so as to deny its benefit to the petitioners.

3. On 05.04.2021, the Director, Rural Development and Panchayat, Punjab, directed the Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Zila Parishad, Jalandhar, to conduct an inquiry into the complaint against the Sarpanch of the Gram Panchayat of the village Ramewal, under Section 20

4. Notice of motion.

5. On the request of the Bench, Ms. Kanica Sachdeva, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab, enters appearance on behalf of respondent No.1 to 7 and informs the Court that the matter is still pending with the Deputy Chief Executive Officer.

6. Keeping in view the facts of the case, it is considered appropriate to direct the Inquiry Officer to conclude the inquiry within a period of 30 days from the date of the receipt of the copy of this order.

(Anil Kshetarpal)
Judge

September 08, 2021
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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No