

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CWP-PIL No. 159 of 2021 (O&M)

Date of decision:- 09.09.2021

Bhupinder Singh

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAVI SHANKER JHA, CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN PALLI, JUDGE.

Present:- Mr. DK Bhatti, Advocate, for the petitioner.
Ms. Anu Pal, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab
for respondents No.1 to 4.
Mr. Dhirender Kamal Saldi, Advocate, for respondent No.5.

(The aforesaid presence is being recorded through video conferencing since the proceedings are being conducted in virtual Court).

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RAVI SHANKER JHA, CHIEF JUSTICE (oral)

This petition has been filed by the petitioner alleging that the respondents and specifically respondent No.5 are not taking steps to remove the encroachments from the land in question inspite of the orders passed by respondent No.3 on 23.04.2019. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has also approached the higher authorities (respondent No.1) on 17.09.2018 and 01.12.2020 in this regard but to no avail.

Learned counsel entering appearance on behalf of respondent No.5, on advance copy, submits that they had already initiated the required proceedings for eviction of the unauthorized occupants and the evictions have since been ordered. However, on account of the general orders passed by this Court in CWP-PIL No. 77 of 2021 (Court on its own motion v. Union of India and others) further steps could not be taken by respondent No.5 till 15.09.2021.

Having heard learned counsel for the parties and taking the statement of learned counsel for respondent No.5 on record, the petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.5 to take necessary steps keeping in mind the modification of the orders passed by this Court in CWP-PIL No. 77 of 2021 and ensure compliance of the orders passed by respondent No.3 in accordance with law.

At the same time, even the learned Deputy Advocate General appearing on behalf of respondent-State of Punjab submits that representations filed by the petitioner shall be looked into and the law shall be enforced following the due procedure expeditiously.

In view of the statements made by learned Deputy Advocate General, Punjab as well as learned counsel for respondent No.5, the petition stands disposed of with a direction to the respondent-authorities to take appropriate and necessary steps to ensure that faith of public is restored and the orders passed by the authorities are implemented in accordance with law.

(RAVI SHANKER JHA)
CHIEF JUSTICE

(ARUN PALLI)
JUDGE

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Whetherspeaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whetherreportable	Yes/No