

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

CWP-18203-2021 (O&M)

Date of decision: 14.09.2021

Sakattar Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL

Present: Mr.K.B.S.Mann, Advocate for the petitioner

Ms. Kanica Sachdeva, AAG, Punjab

ANIL KSHETARPAL, J (Oral)

Through this writ petition, the petitioner prays for direction to the official respondents to take steps for the removal of respondent no.6 from the office of Sarpanch, Gram Panchayat, Village Manak Dhake, Block Chola Sahib, District Tarn Taran. The petitioner alleges that District Development and Panchayat Officer vide an order dated 12.06.2012 found the husband of the respondent no.6 to be in illegal possession of the property of the Gram Panchayat. The petitioner has been making representations for taking action against the respondent no.6, however, no final decision thereon has been taken. It has further been alleged that in the inquiry, respondent no.6's husband was found in illegal possession of the property of the Gram Panchayat. However, the authorities considered it appropriate to order fresh inquiry vide order dated 28.08.2020. Although, a period of more than one year has elapsed, even then, no final decision has been taken.

Notice of motion.

At the request of the Court, Ms. Kanica Sachdeva, AAG,

Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents.

Keeping in view the facts of the case, it is considered appropriate to request the Director, Department of Rural Development and Panchayat, Punjab, to press upon the inquiry officer for submitting a report within a period of one month. It is also expected that the Director, Department of Rural Development and Panchayat, Punjab, on the receipt of the report would take action in accordance with law.

Disposed of.

All the pending miscellaneous applications, if any, are also disposed of.

14.09.2021

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No

(ANIL KSHETARPAL)
JUDGE