

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

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**CWP-20012-2021(O&M)
Date of decision: 01.10.2021**

JEET SINGH AND ORS

...Petitioners

Versus

UNION OF INDIA AND ORS

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL

**Present: Mr. P.P.S. Tung, Advocate
for the petitioners.**

**Mr. Ankur Sharma, Sr. Panel Counsel
for respondent No.1-UOI.**

ANIL KSHETARPAL, J (Oral)

The hearing of the case was held through video conferencing on account of restricted functioning of the Courts.

This writ petition has been filed by as many as 36 writ petitioners who are resident of village Bhagwangarh @ Bhukhianwali, Tehsil Talwandi Sabo, District Bathinda. They claim that some part of their land has been utilized for laying a underground pipeline by the Gas Authority of India in exercise of powers under the Petroleum and Mineral Pipeline Act, 1962. The petitioners claim that the entire amount of compensation has been paid to a few selected persons while depriving the petitioners of their right.

The learned counsel representing the petitioners contends that the petitioners have not been provided with any information although the work of laying the pipeline has already begun.

The petitioners have not placed on file the order assessing compensation in their favour. The petitioners are stated to have not sent a representation on 16.08.2021.

Keeping in view the aforesaid facts, the competent authority Gail India Limited (Bathinda Office), near NFL, Administrative Building, Village Sivia, District Bathinda, Punjab, is directed to consider the matter and pass a speaking order within a period of three months after granting an opportunity of hearing to the petitioners.

This order has been passed keeping in view the peculiar facts of the case, as the petitioners themselves are not certain about the developments.

Disposed of.

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

October 01, 2021

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**(ANIL KSHETARPAL)
JUDGE**

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