IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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CWP-20929-2021
Date of decision:12.10.2021.

JASWINDER KAUR

...Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANOTHER

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL

Present: **Mr. Vivek Chauhan, Advocate**
for the petitioner.

Mr. Nikhil Chopra, Addl.A.G., Punjab.

ANIL KSHETARPAL, J (Oral)

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

The petitioner assails the correctness of the orders dated 19.10.2020 and 09.09.2021, passed by the Director, Rural Development and Panchayat Department, Punjab, and the Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Rural Development and Panchayats, respectively, suspending the petitioner from the office of Sarpanch.

The learned counsel representing the petitioner admits that a regular enquiry into the matter has already been held and a report has been submitted by the Divisional Deputy Director to the Director, Department of Rural Development and Panchayats, vide memo dated 11.05.2021.

As, the suspension of a Sarpanch is only during the pendency of the regular enquiry which has been concluded, consequently, it is considered appropriate to request the Director, Department of Rural Development and

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Panchayats, to pass an order, in accordance with law, under Section 20 of the Punjab Panchayati Raj Act, 1994, within a period of 6 weeks, positively.

Disposed of accordingly.

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

October 12, 2021 **(ANIL KSHETARPAL)**
nt **JUDGE**

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

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