

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

**CWP-14228-2022
DECIDED ON: 20.07.2022**

SULAKHAN SINGH AND ORS

.....PETITIONERS

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ORS

.....RESPONDENTS

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANDEEP MOUDGIL**

Present: Mr. Abdul Aziz, Advocate for
Mr. Mohd. Yousaf, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. S.P.S. Tinna, Addl. A.G. Punjab

AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH, J. (ORAL)

Learned counsel for the petitioners contends that the appellate authority has still not decided the application for stay, which has been preferred along with the appeal by the petitioners.

Counsel for the State on instructions from Mr. Gurpreet Singh, BDPO, Ludhiana-II has informed the Court that the next date of hearing before the appellate authority is 10.08.2022.

In the light of the above, counsel for the petitioners submits that the interim order as has been passed by this Court, may be continued till the decision on the application for stay by the appellate authority.

The prayer made by the counsel for the petitioners appears to be quite justified, keeping in view the fact that the appellate authority has not taken a decision on the application for stay.

We dispose of the present writ petition with a direction to the appellate authority to make an endeavour to decide the application for stay, which has been preferred along with the appeal and listed for 10.08.2022 and in case, it is not possible to do so, decide the same at an early date.

Status quo with regard to possession as it existed on 07.07.2022 shall continue till a decision is taken on the application for stay by the appellate authority.

(AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH)
JUDGE

(SANDEEP MOUDGIL)
JUDGE

20.07.2022

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Whether speaking/reasoned *Yes/No*

Whether reportable *Yes/No*