

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

Sr. No.105

CWP-17241-2022 (O&M)

Date of decision : 06.08.2022

Baljinder Singh and another

..... Petitioners

VERSUS

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDHIR MITTAL

Present: Mr. Amandeep Saini, Advocate, for the petitioners.

SUDHIR MITTAL, J. (Oral)

The petitioners took the land in dispute on lease for a period of two years from the Gram Panchayat after the Gram Panchayat had passed a resolution for the said purpose. Extension was requested thereafter and the Gram Panchayat passed another resolution extending the period of lease upto fifteen years. Proposal dated 13.11.2020 was accordingly forwarded to the Government for approval. The BDPO recommended approval of lease for a period of seven years only vide communication dated 29.12.2020. Yet, no final order has been passed by the Government.

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the Government should have decided the proposal within a reasonable period. Almost two years have elapsed and no action has been taken. Meanwhile, the petitioners have expended resources for development of the land. Thus, a direction may be issued to the Government to decide the proposal by passing a speaking order within a limited time frame.

Notice of motion to respondents No.1 to 5 only.

Mr. Arun K. Kaundal, DAG, Punjab accepts notice and waives service.

Considering the nature of the order being passed, no reply is necessary.

The writ petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.3 to decide the pending proposal dated 29.12.2020 (Annexure P-5) by passing a speaking order within four weeks from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

(SUDHIR MITTAL)
JUDGE

06.08.2022
Ramandeep Singh

Whether speaking / reasoned

Yes / No

Whether Reportable

Yes/ No