

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

**CWP-PIL No.186 of 2019
Date of Decision :18.08.2022**

Inderjit Singh

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE RAVI SHANKER JHA, CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE ARUN PALLI, JUDGE**

Present : Mr. BBS Randhawa, Advocate for
Ms. Mandeep Kaur, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Avinit Avasthi, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. Davinder Singh, Advocate for respondents No.7 and 8.

Mr. Sandeep Arora, Advocate for respondents No.9 and 10.

RAVI SHANKER JHA, CHIEF JUSTICE (Oral):

This Public Interest Litigation has been filed by the petitioner alleging that land measuring 7-8 marlas situated in village Sattowali, Tehsil and District Jalandhar, has been encroached upon by the respondents.

Respondents No.7 and 8 have filed a reply stating therein that they have not committed any illegality or encroached upon the land in question and the same remains in the possession of the gram panchayat.

It is observed from perusal of the petition that the gram panchayat concerned has not been arrayed as a party to the petition. Further, it has been specifically stated in the written statement filed by the alleged encroachers that they have not encroached upon the land in question, and

possession thereof still remains with the gram panchayat.

In view of the above, we are of the considered view that nothing further survives in the matter. It is, however, observed that in case any cause of action survives or arises, the petitioner would be at liberty to approach the respondent-authorities/Deputy Commissioner, Jalandhar, in respect of the grievance and in case the petitioner does so, the authorities shall look into matter and deal therewith in accordance with law.

In the wake of the above, the petition stands disposed of.

(RAVI SHANKER JHA)
CHIEF JUSTICE

(ARUN PALLI)
JUDGE

18.08.2022
Manoj Bhutani

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