

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

CWP-24445-2022

Date of Decision: 21.10.2022

DARSHAN SINGH AND OTHERS

..... PETITIONER(s)

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANOTHER

..... RESPONDENT(s)

**CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE LISA GILL
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSH BUNGER**

Present: Mr. Shehbaz Thind, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Sandeep Jain, Additional A.G. Punjab.

LISA GILL, J. (ORAL)

Petitioners are aggrieved by action of the respondents in not considering the applications submitted by them for allotment of Government land under Section 3(2) of Punjab (Welfare and Settlement of Landless, Marginal and Small Occupant Farmers) Allotment of State Government Land Act, 2020 (hereinafter referred to as 'the Act') and Rule 4 of Punjab (Welfare and Settlement of Landless, Marginal and Small Occupant Farmers) Allotment of State Government Land Rules, published vide Gazette notification dated 12.01.2021 (Annexure P-6).

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that petitioners are entitled to allotment of land under the Act as they are in possession of the land in question for over 10 years prior to the Appointed Day i.e. 01.01.2020. Learned counsel for the petitioners further submits that petitioners, fulfilling all eligibility conditions prescribed under the Act, have submitted applications dated 06.10.2021 and 25.11.2021, Annexure P-7 to P-

9, respectively before the competent authority for allotment of plots under the Act. However, the authorities are not taking any action on their applications for a final decision thereon.

At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioners restricts the prayer for a decision on applications dated 06.10.2021 and 25.11.2021, Annexure P-7 to P-9, in a time bound manner.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Sandeep Jain, Additional A.G. Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of both the respondents. Advance copy of the writ petition stands served. Learned counsel for the State does not raise any objection to the restricted prayer addressed.

Keeping in view the limited prayer addressed, facts and circumstances of this case, but without any expression of opinion, this writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the competent authority, to decide applications dated 06.10.2021 and 25.11.2021, Annexure P-7 to P-9, filed by the petitioners, in accordance with law, within three (03) months of receipt of certified copy of this order.

(LISA GILL)
JUDGE

(HARSH BUNGER)
JUDGE

21.10.2022

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