

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

CWP No.15554 of 2022
Date of decision: 12.10.2022

Ram Pal and others

...Petitioners

Vs.

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE RITU BAHRI
HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE NIDHI GUPTA**

Present: Mr. Arihant Jain, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

Ms. Anu Pal, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

Ritu Bahri, J. (oral)

Petitioners are seeking setting aside of the notifications dated 20.05.1979 and 10.10.1979 (Annexures P-1 and P-2) issued under Sections 4 and 6 of the Land Acquisition Act, 1894 with all consequential proceedings. Further prayer has been made for issuance of direction to the respondents to release the land of the petitioners from acquisition proceedings.

Grievance of the petitioners is that instead of utilizing the land for the purpose mentioned in the notifications, the same has been transferred to a private party namely, Sushma Build Tech. Ltd. (Sushma Group). This company has constructed a housing project i.e. 'Sushma Valencia' on the acquired land.

Even if, after acquisition, the land had been transferred by the State in favour of Sushma Build Tech Ltd., no cause of action survives in

this petition. Moreover, there is a long delay in filing of the present petition as the acquisition proceedings pertains to the year 1979 and the petitioners have approached this Court in the year 2022. Hence, present petition is liable to be dismissed on the ground of delay as well.

In view of the above, no ground for setting aside of the impugned notifications is made out.

Dismissed.

(RITU BAHRI)
JUDGE

(NIDHI GUPTA)
JUDGE

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