

Himmat Bhardwaj Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ

Present: Mr. Mohd. Yousaf, Advocate, for the petitioner.
Ms. Akshita Chauhan, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab.
Mr. Sandeep Khunger, Advocate, for the complainant.

Rajesh Bhardwaj, J. (ORAL)

CM-11428-CWP-2023

For the reasons mentioned in the application, the same is allowed. The date of hearing in the main petition is preponed for today itself. The main case is taken on board for hearing.

Main case

Prayer in the present petition is for quashing of order dated 09.02.2023 (Annexure P-6) passed by respondent No.1 and order dated 24.08.2022 (Annexure P-5) passed by respondent No.2.

It has been contended by learned counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner had already filed an appeal assailing the order dated 24.08.2022, whereby the petitioner was illegally suspended by respondent No.2. It is submitted that the petitioner filed the appeal under Section 20(6) of the Punjab Panchayati Raj Act, 1994 alongwith stay application. He has submitted that the said application was rejected by passing a cryptic order and till date the appeal is pending adjudication, which has not been decided intentionally and the term of the petitioner who is an elected Sarpanch would come to an end in December 2023.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has fairly submitted that the appeal is fixed for 10.08.2023 before respondent No.1 and the same be directed to be decided in a time bound manner.

After hearing learned counsel for the petitioner, request made by him is found genuine.

In view of the above, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.1 to decide the appeal pending before it in accordance with law within a period of one month from today.

The pending application if any also stands disposed of.

28.07.2023
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(RAJESH BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

Whether Speaking/Reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No