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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CWP-8523-2023

Date of decision:25.04.2023

AJIT SINGH TALWANDI

...Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA AND OTHERS

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SURESHWAR THAKUR
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDEEP TIWARI

Present: Mr. Dinesh Kumar Prajapati, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Raman Sharma, Addl. A.G., Haryana.

SURESHWAR THAKUR, J. (ORAL)

1. The present petitioner has instituted a petition under Section 7 of The Punjab Village Common Lands (Regulation) Act, 1961 (hereinafter referred to as "the Act"), before the learned Collector concerned. However, since no decision has been made thereons, therefore, the petitioner made representations appended, as Annexures P-2, and, Annexure P-3 to the Deputy Commissioner, Hoshiarpur, with a prayer that an expeditious decision be drawn by the learned Collector concerned, upon, the said petition, but since the said annexures remain unattended, thus a mandamus is asked to be made, upon, the learned Collector concerned, to decide the relevant petition. The above asked for mandamus cannot be claimed from this Court, as *prima facie* there is no statutory leverage bestowed in any individual to recourse the mandate of Section 7 of the Act.

2. Be that as it may, the learned Collector concerned, may in accordance with law thus bearing in mind the statutory capacity or *locus standi*, of the petitioner to maintain the said petition, before learned Collector concerned, hence an expeditious decision in accordance with law, on the said petition.

3. Disposed of accordingly.

(SURESHWAR THAKUR)
JUDGE

25.04.2023

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(KULDEEP TIWARI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:-

Yes/No

Whether reportable:

Yes/No