

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

CWP-11451-2020

Date of Decision: 21st February, 2023

Pritpal Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN

Present: Mr. J.S. Sidhu, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Charanpreet Singh, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab.

AVNEESH JHINGAN , J.(Oral)

1. The petition in the nature of *Mandamus* is filed seeking directions to the respondents to provide information sought vide application dated 23.6.2019.

2. The Public Information Officer-cum-Tehsildar, Rampura Phul vide letter dated 11.7.2019 informed the petitioner that record asked for was not available in the office of Tehsildar, Rampura Phul. The first appeal filed by the petitioner was dismissed on 17.9.2019. The State Information Commission accepted the stand of the respondents that the information was not available with them in their office and disposed of the appeal.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that information annexed as Annexures P-9 and P-10 was supplied to the co-villagers.

4. Learned State Counsel on instructions from Kanwaldeep Singh, Tehsildar, Rampura Phul who is present in Court submits that the information relied upon was not supplied by the office of Tehsildar, Rampura Phul, it relates to year 1951-52 when Rampura Phul office was

under Commissionerate Patiala. On instructions submits that the petitioner can inspect the record available in the office of Tehsildar Rampura Phul and the relevant record asked for would be supplied.

5. The stand of the respondents is that the record is not available in the office of Tehsildar, Rampura Phul. Moreover, from the perusal of the document produced by the petitioner, it is not forthcoming as to which office supplied this information and on what date. There are disputed questions of fact, no interference is called in writ jurisdiction.

6. Petition is disposed of.

7. However, the petitioner shall visit the office of the Tehsildar, Rampura Phul on 20.3.2023 at 11:00AM and the revenue officer will ensure that the petitioner is permitted to inspect the record available in the office.

8. Needless to say that the petitioner would be at liberty to avail remedies in accordance with law for redressal of the surviving grievances, if any.

9. Since the main case has been decided, the pending application(s), if any is rendered infructuous.

(AVNEESH JHINGAN)
JUDGE

21st February, 2023
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Whether reasoned/speaking	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No