

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

**CWP-13925-2022**

**Date of decision : 17.08.2023**

**.....Petitioner**

**Dalbir Singh**

**versus**

**State of Punjab and others**

**..... Respondents**

**CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ**

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Present :- Mr. Sukhjinder Singh, Advocate  
for the petitioner.

Mr. Arun William, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. Jagdeep Singh, Advocate  
for respondent No.4.

Mr. Amardeep Singh, Advocate  
for respondent No.5.

**RAJESH BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)**

Prayer in the present petition is for issuance of directions to respondents No.1 to 4 to conclude proceedings which have been initiated against respondent No.5 under Section 216 of Punjab Panchayati Raj Act, 1994 vide order dated 15.02.2022 whereby amount of Rs.2,23,405.50/- has been assessed to be recovered from respondent No.5 under Section 216 of Punjab Panchayati Raj Act and further amount of Rs.2,23,405.50/- has been assessed to be recovered from Ashok Kumar, Panchayat Secretary/VDO for causing financial loss to Panchayat, however, even after assessing the amount under Section 216 of the Act vide order dated 15.02.2022 till today no further steps have been taken for effecting said recovery, so that loss of money which has been caused to Panchayat amounting to Rs.4,46,811/- can be recovered.

Learned State counsel, on instructions, has stated before this Court that the petition has been filed for concluding the proceeding which have been initiated against respondent No.5 under Section 216 of Punjab Panchayti Raj Act, 1994. He has submitted that the proceedings have already been concluded and the assessment of the loss has also been made and the total amount to be recovered from respondent was Rs.3,45,000/-. He has further submitted that out of the said amount, Rs.1,50,000/- has already been deposited by respondent No.5. It is submitted that for recovery of rest of the amount, proceedings are going on as respondent No.5 has given statement that he would pay the remaining amount within 20 days.

In view of the submissions made by learned State counsel, the present petition is disposed of as infructuous as the grievances raised by the petitioner has already been redressed.

( **RAJESH BHARDWAJ** )  
**JUDGE**

**17.08.2023**  
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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No  
Whether reportable : Yes/No