

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA  
AT CHANDIGARH

CWP-11311-2016 (O&M)  
Date of decision : 09.05.2023

Lal Singh and others

....Petitioners

Versus

State of Haryana and others

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAVI SHANKER JHA, CHIEF JUSTICE  
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN PALLI

Present: None for the petitioners.

Mr. Ankur Mittal, Additional A.G., Haryana, and  
Ms. Kushaldeep Kaur, Advocate.

**RAVI SHANKER JHA, CHIEF JUSTICE** (Oral)

Learned Additional Advocate General, Haryana, submits that challenge to the validity of acquisition proceedings on various grounds is already pending consideration before this Court in CWP-13706-2001, and even an interim order, “*meanwhile dispossession of the petitioners will remain stayed*”, was passed way back on 06.09.2001. Thus, he submits that the petition at hand, which only relates to interpretation of Section 24 (2) of the Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Re-settlement Act, 2013, being squarely covered by the decision of the Supreme Court, rendered in **Indore Development Authority Vs. Manohar Lal and others, AIR 2020 SC 1496**, is liable to be dismissed.

Be that as it may, neither the petitioners nor anyone on their behalf is present to pursue the matter. Thus, the Court is choice-less, but to dismiss the petition for want of prosecution.

Ordered accordingly.

However, it is made clear that the petitioners would be at liberty to pursue the abovesaid writ petition (CWP-13706-2001), and dismissal of the present petition, though for non-prosecution, would have no bearing upon the said case.

(RAVI SHANKER JHA)  
CHIEF JUSTICE

(ARUN PALLI)  
JUDGE

May 09, 2023  
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| Whether speaking/reasoned | Yes/No |
| Whether reportable        | Yes/No |