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2023:PHHC:093068
IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH
CWP-15677-2023
Date of Decision: 24.07.2023

Joga Singh

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ

Present: Mr. Ajay Pal Singh Rehan, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Rajesh Bhardwaj, J. (ORAL)

Petitioner has approached this Court praying for issuance of direction to respondents No.1 and 2 to ensure that fair and impartial enquiry is conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Punjab Panchayati Raj Act, 1994 and the relevant Rules and Instructions issued by the Government from time to time within a definite frame to be fixed by this Court regarding the allegations of embezzlement of Panchayat funds made by respondent No.6-Sarpanch of the Gram Panchayat village Kalia Block Batala, District Gurdaspur, which was initiated on the basis of representations dated 18.01.2023 (Annexures P-1 and P-2) submitted by the petitioner.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner and other residents of the village have filed presentation dated 18.01.2023 (Annexure P-2) to respondent No.2, however, no action has been taken on the same till date.

Notice of motion.

Ms. Akshita Chauhan, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the official respondent.

After hearing learned counsel for the parties, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2-Director Department of Rural Development and Panchayat to decide the representation dated 18.01.2023 (Annexure P-2) in accordance with law within a period of one month from today.

24.07.2023

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(RAJESH BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

Whether Speaking/Reasoned : Yes/No

Whether Reportable : Yes/No