

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

CWP-17195-2023

Date of decision : 08.08.2023

Ravijot Singh and another

.....Petitioners

versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ

Present :- Mr. A.S. Narang, Advocate and
Mr. Manpreet Kaur, Advocate
for the petitioners.

RAJESH BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

Petitioners have approached this Court praying for issuance of directions to respondents No.1 and 2 to conclude the proceedings against respondent No.5 in a time bound manner and thereafter, to take appropriate action, including action under Section 20(4) of the Punjab Panchayati Raj Act, 1994.

It has been submitted that the petitioners are the resident of the Village and for the illegalities committed by the Sarpanch respondent No.5, they filed complaint to various authorities but no action has been taken on the same. He submits that on the complaint filed, the Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Department, respondent No.2 had initiated the process of inquiry dated 12.06.2023 but thereafter there is no progress in the inquiry and the same is not being completed.

Learned State counsel has submitted that the inquiry has already been initiated as apparent from the record and the same would be concluded expeditiously preferably within four weeks.

After hearing counsel for the parties and perusing the record, the present petition is disposed of with direction to respondent No.2 to complete the inquiry already initiated on the complaint dated 04.05.2023 (Annexure P-10) and conclude the same expeditiously preferably, within a period of four weeks as stated by learned State counsel before.

08.08.2023
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(RAJESH BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

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