

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CWP-26124-2019 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 20.11.2023

Gourav Pathania and others

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARKESH MANUJA

Present: Mr. Munish Puri, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Athar Ahmed, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab.

HARKESH MANUJA, J. (oral)

CM-19402-CWP-2023

Prayer in the present application is for disposal of the main petition by pre-poning the date of hearing, which is fixed for 02.02.2024.

For the reasons mentioned in the application, the prayer is **allowed**. The main petition is taken up on Board of this Court today itself.

Main case:

1. Prayer in the present writ petition is for issuance of direction to the respondents to release the compensation amount in favour of the petitioners, pursuant to the supplementary award dated 18.03.2016 passed by the Land Acquisition Collector, RSD & SPK

Dam Project, Shahpurkandi Township, Pathankot, Punjab (in short 'the L.A.C.') along with interest @ 15% per annum on account of delayed payment.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that though the principal amount of compensation already stands released in favour of the petitioners, however, the present writ petition now survives only qua the relief about payment of interest on delayed disbursement.

3. Learned State counsel on instructions from the office of respondent No.2-the L.A.C. submits that the payment of interest on delayed disbursement of amount of compensation shall be released in favour of petitioner Nos.1, 2, 4 to 6 and 8 to 13, within a period of two days. As regards, petitioner Nos.3 and 7, he submits that an apportionment dispute is pending qua petitioner No.3, whereas no award has been passed in favour of petitioner No.7 regarding any kind of structure existing upon his property and thus, no claim is made out qua him.

4. I have heard the learned counsel for the parties and gone through the paper-book.

5. In view of aforementioned stand taken by the respective parties, the present writ petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2-the L.A.C. to release the amount of interest on delayed disbursement of compensation, granted pursuant to the supplementary award dated 18.03.2016 in favour of petitioner Nos.1, 2, 4 to 6 and 8 to 13, within a period of two days from today. Further, the

6. Pending application(s), if any, shall stand(s) disposed off.

(HARKESH MANUJA)
JUDGE

Whether Speaking / Reasoned :	Yes	No
Whether Reportable :	Yes	No