

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CWP No. 27948 of 2019(O&M)

Date of Decision:14.03.2023

Gram Panchayat Village Kum Kalan

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS.JUSTICE LISA GILL

HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE RITU TAGORE

Present: Ms. Simran Bhardwaj, Advocate
for Mr. Aman Kashyap, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Sandeep Jain, Addl.AG., Punjab.

LISA GILL, J(Oral).

This writ petition has been filed by the Gram Panchayat village Kum Kalan, seeking direction to the respondents to stop illegal mining allegedly being carried out by Mafia in the proximity of village Kum Kalan, due to which the villagers are suffering from considerable pollution and damage to infrastructure around the village.

Status report dated 25.11.2019 by way of affidavit of Mr. Harjot Singh Walia, Executive Engineer-cum-District Mining Officer (Mining Division), Ludhiana, on behalf of respondents no.1 to 3 as well as status report dated 25.11.2019 by way of affidavit of Mr. Vaibhav Sehgal, Assistant Commissioner of Police, Industrial Area-A, Ludhiana, on behalf of respondent no.4, are on record.

Learned counsel for the respondent-State, while referring to abovesaid Status reports submits that on enquiry being made, it has been found out that no illegal mining is being carried out in village Kum Kalan.

Mining is being carried out at the Rattangarh Mine as per valid license

granted to the authorized contractor. Reference is made to report dated 19.09.2019, Annexure R-6.

This writ petition had been adjourned on 19.01.2023 and 25.01.2023 to enable learned counsel for the petitioner to seek instructions regarding survival of the cause.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that despite the petitioner been contacted, no instructions are forthcoming.

Keeping in view the facts and circumstances as above, we find no justification for keeping this petition pending. Writ petition is accordingly dismissed for non prosecution.

(LISA GILL)
JUDGE

(RITU TAGORE)
JUDGE

March 14, 2023.
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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No.
Whether reportable : Yes/No.