

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CWP No.23295 of 2023
Date of decision : 13.10.2023

Baldeep Singh Sarpanch

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ

Present: Mr. Baldev Singh Sidhu, Advocate
for the petitioner.

RAJESH BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

Present writ petition has been filed for issuance of direction to respondent No.1 i.e. Financial Commissioner, Department of Rural Development to decide the stay application of the petitioner filed along with the statutory appeal as the Financial Commissioner is not holding the Court from 31.08.2023. Earlier it was used to be held on every Thursday. Further prayer has been made that the impugned order dated 31.07.2023 (Annexure P-1) passed by respondent No.2 whereby the petitioner has been placed under suspension be stayed as the petitioner filed the statutory appeal along with stay application on 03.09.2023 but the appellate authority has not considered the stay application and the appeal is pending without any date as the learned FCRD is not holding the Court from 31.08.2023.

It has been contended by learned counsel for the petitioner that as the concerned authority is not holding the Court, the stay application filed by the petitioner is not being heard till date.

Notice of motion.

On asking of the Court, Ms. Akshita Chauhan, DAG, Punjab appears and accepts notice on behalf of the respondents. She, on instructions, has submitted that the case is pending adjudication and the same would be heard in due course.

After hearing learned counsel for the parties and perusing the record, the present petition stands disposed of with direction to respondent No.1 to hear the stay application filed by the petitioner on the date fixed. However, as no actual date has been given till date in the case, the operation of the impugned order challenged in the appeal shall remain stayed till the decision of the stay application by respondent No.1.

(RAJESH BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

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Whether reportable	:	Yes/No