

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CWP-25595-2023 (O&M)
Date of decision: 13.12.2023

GRAM PANCHAYAT RALLA

.....Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

.....Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VINOD S. BHARDWAJ

Present:- Mr. Mohit Kumar, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Saurav Verma, Addl. A.G. Punjab.

VINOD S. BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

CM-20438-CWP-2023

For the reasons mentioned in the application, the same is allowed as prayed for subject to all just exceptions and documents i.e. order dated 12.06.2020 (Annexure P-3) and order dated 10.09.2020 (Annexure P-4) are taken on record.

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Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner contends that there are twin prayers made in the present writ petition, firstly in relation to take action against respondent No. 5 who was pressuring the Gram Panchayat to pay from the alms received by the

Dera and a further prayer had been made for seeking transfer of respondent No. 5 who was working as Steno in the office of DSP, Vigilance Bureau, Mansa.

Learned State counsel has informed that insofar as the prayer in relation to transfer of respondent No. 5 is concerned, the same is rendered infructuous as the respondent No. 5 has been transferred vide order dated 22.11.2023 to her parent Department.

Even though, counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner does not dispute the same. He, however, contends that the said respondent was demanding the share in the collection of the Dera while working in the Vigilance Department and that the said issue needs to be inquired into.

Learned State counsel submits that in the event of the petitioner approaching the competent authority they would be willing to look into the complaints that are received by them.

Taking into consideration that the respondent No.5 was working as Steno in the office of the Deputy Superintendent of Police, Vigilance Bureau itself, hence, it is deemed appropriate that the allegations as regards the illegal collections being forced and/or alleged be looked into by an officer above the rank of Deputy Superintendent of Police in the Vigilance Bureau, Mansa. The present writ petition is accordingly disposed of without commenting on the merits of the present case with a direction that in the event of the petitioner approaching the office of Senior Superintendent of Police, Vigilance Bureau, Bathinda, the said complaint shall be looked into and an enquiry into the allegations leveled by the petitioners be conducted by

an Officer higher than the rank of Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Vigilance Bureau.

The present writ petition is disposed of.

(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

DECEMBER 13, 2023

Vishal sharma

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