

**HIGH COURT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR AND LADAKH
AT JAMMU**

Case:- CCP(S) No. 85/2024

**Balwant Singh, Age 73 years,
S/o Late Sh. Sadhu Ram,
R/o Kotli Manotrian,
Tehsil & District Reasi.**

....Petitioner(s)

Through: Mr. Ayjaz Lone, Advocate

Vs

- 1. Aruna Nayar, Secretary, Ministry of Railways, Rail Mantralya, New Delhi.**
- 2. Vishesh Paul Mahajan, Deputy Commissioner, Reasi.**
- 3. Kul Bhushan Khajuria, Additional Deputy Commissioner, Reasi.**
- 4. Sumit Khullar, Deputy Chief Engineer, Northern Railway, Udhampur.**
- 5. Umesh Shan (Asstt. Commissioner Revenue), Collector Land Acquisition, Northern Railway, Udhampur.**

..... Respondent(s)

Through:

Coram: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAVED IQBAL WANI, JUDGE

**ORDER
27.03.2024**

01. In the instant contempt petition non-compliance of the order dated 26.12.2017 is being complained of by the petitioner, whereby the writ petition of the petitioner being APOWP No. 45/2017 came to be disposed of with a direction to the respondent 6 to decide the claim of the petitioner for payment of compensation in the light of the recommendations made by the Additional Deputy Commissioner, Reasi by a speaking order

within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of a certified copy of the order, making it clear that no opinion has been expressed on the merits of the case.

02. Perusal of the contempt petition reveals that the petitioner has not averred anywhere in the petition as to what prevented him from coming to the Court against the respondents for having committed breach of the order uptill now except having referred to a communication dated 17.02.2018 in para 4 of the petition being an *inter-se* communication by the respondent 5 herein to the Tehsildar, Katra.

03. *Prima-facie*, the instant contempt petition has been filed beyond the period of limitation prescribed under Section 20 of the Contempt of Courts Act, 1971, without offering any explanation thereto for filing the same after a period of more than four years. Contempt petition, thus, is held time-barred and is, accordingly, ***dismissed.***

(JAVED IQBAL WANI)

JUDGE

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Whether the order is speaking : Yes / No
Whether the order is reportable : Yes / No