

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

CWP-445-2024 (O&M)

Date of decision : 08.02.2024

Mohinder Singh

.....Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ

Present :- Ms. Nisha Rana, Advocate
for the petitioner.

RAJESH BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

CM-899-CWP-2024

Prayer in the present application is for impleading the Additional Deputy Commissioner (Dev.) Jalandhar as respondent No.2-A as per the order passed by this Court dated 10.01.2024 (Annexure P-4).

For the reasons mentioned in the application, the Additional Deputy Commissioner (Dev.) Jalandhar is impleaded as respondent No.2-A in the main petition. Application stands allowed. Amended memo of parties is taken on record.

Main case

Prayer in the present petition is for issuance of directions to respondents No.1 and 4 for deciding the complaint/representation in accordance with laws and regulations dated 05.02.2021 (Annexure P-3) and thus the direction be issued for final adjudication in time bound manner. Further prayer has been made for issuance of direction to respondent No.5 to ensure the protection of life and liberty of the petitioner and his family members as respondents No.6 and 7 are doing illegal act for collecting Rs.1,335/- from 241 account holders of Village Water Sanitation Committee, Village Nahal, District Jalandhar, total amount of Rs.3,21,735/-

and misappropriating the amount and for not paying electricity bills of Rs.8,54,295/- therefore, respondents No.6 and 7 threatened to eliminate the petitioner hence, there is eminent danger to the life and liberty of the petitioner.

It has been submitted by counsel for the petitioner that the preliminary inquiry was carried out on the complaint filed by the petitioner. However, in the inquiry conducted by the Executive Engineer, respondent No.7 was illegally exonerated. She submits that the petitioner filed the complaint/representation dated 05.02.2021 for rejection of the same to learned Additional Deputy Commissioner (Dev.), Jalandhar but the same has not been decided till date. She submits that the said representation is pending from last more than 02 years.

Notice of motion.

On asking of the Court, Ms. Akshita Chauhan, DAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the State. She on instructions has submitted that the regular inquiry is pending and the same would be concluded expeditiously.

Heard. Keeping in view the submissions made by counsel for the petitioner that the representation is pending, the present petition is disposed of with direction to Additional Deputy Commissioner (Dev.), Jalandhar to decide the complaint/representation dated 05.02.2021 filed by the petitioner expeditiously preferably within four weeks from today in accordance with law.

08.02.2024

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(RAJESH BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No