



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT  
CHANDIGARH

CWP No.18647 of 2024  
Date of Decision: 22.08.2024

Parveen  
...Petitioner  
Versus  
State of Haryana & Others  
...Respondents

CORAM: HON’BLE MR. JUSTICE G.S. SANDHAWALIA  
HON’BLE MRS. JUSTICE MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA

Present:- Mr. Harinder Pal Singh Ishar, Advocate,  
for the petitioner.  
  
Mr. Ankur Mittal, Additional AG, Haryana with  
Mr. Saurabh Mago, DAG, Haryana,  
for respondents No.1 to 5.  
  
Mr. Pardeep Kumar, Advocate,  
for respondent No.6.

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G.S. SANDHAWALIA J. (Oral)

Prayer in the present writ petition, filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, is for the issuance of direction to respondent No.5-Sub-Divisional Officer, Ganaur, to decide the petition filed under Section 7 of the Punjab Village Common Land Act 1961 (for short ‘the Act’) on 06.09.2016 (Annexure P-1) expeditiously in a time-bound manner.

2. Counsel for the petitioner submits that the petition had been filed way back in the year 2016 and no tangible progress has been made.

3. On the other hand, learned State counsel points out that the relief as such claimed in the petition (Annexure P-1) is against respondent No.7-Pushpa Devi and the Civil Suit filed by her for declaration and



permanent injunction with consequential relief of mandatory injunction has now been decided on 13.09.2023 (Annexure P-2) by learned Civil Judge (Junior Division), Ganaur, Sonapat and in such circumstances, the matter could not be effectively taken up.

4. Counsel for respondent No.6-Gram Panchayat, who has filed his Power of Attorney in the Court, submits that the case is fixed for 18.09.2024 and the effective steps will be taken up to conclude the evidence so that the matter can be decided at the earliest.

5. Resultantly, while disposing of the instant petition, we do not issue notice of motion to respondent No.7 as no useful purpose will be served and proceedings will be further delayed.

6. It is accordingly directed that respondent No.5-Sub-Divisional Officer, Ganaur, shall decide the petition (Annexure P-1) within a period of six months from the date of receipt of the certified copy of this order and the authorized representative of Gram Panchayat will ensure that the evidence is led at the earliest within a period of three months. Equal opportunities be given to the private respondent to defend her case also before the disposal of the petition in accordance with law. Accordingly, the present writ petition is disposed of.

**(G.S. SANDHAWALIA)**  
**JUDGE**

**August 22, 2024**  
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**(MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA)**  
**JUDGE**

*Whether speaking/reasoned:*  
*Whether Reportable:*

*Yes*  
*No*