



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

(119)

CWP NO.31094-2024(O&M)
DATE OF DECISION: 17.12.2024

Nikesh Raj Yadav and othersPetitioners

VERSUS

Bar Council of India and othersRespondents

**CORAM HON’BLE MR. JUSTICE SURESHWAR THAKUR
HON’BLE MRS. JUSTICE SUDEEPTI SHARMA**

Present Mr.Chanchal K. Singla, Advocate,
Ms. Kavita Joshi, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

Mr.R.K.Hooda, Advocate,
for respondent no.1 – BCI.

Mr. Vishal Sharma, Haritwal, Advocate,
for respondent no.3.

Mr. C.M.Munjal, Advocate,
with Ms. Seema Arora, Advocate,
for respondent no.2.

SURESHWAR THAKUR, J(ORAL)

1. Mr. R.K.Hooda, Advocate, puts in appearance on behalf of respondent no.1 and files power of attorney and the same is taken on record.
Mr. Vishal Sharma Haritwal, Advocate, puts in appearance and files Memo of Appearance on behalf of respondent no.3, and the same is taken on record.
2. The learned counsel for the petitioners placed on record copy of order dated 11.12.2024 pronounced by the Apex Court in **Special Leave to Appeal No. 3950 of 2024**, titled as **Strengthening and Enhancing the Institutional Strength of Bar Associations Versus The Registrar General and others**, which is reproduced hereinafter:-



“I.A. No. 284093/2024 and I.A. No. 284094/2024 In SLP(C) No. 3950/2024

1. *These applications are moved by Mr. K.S. Dhaliwal, an advocate who is practicing in the Punjab and Haryana High Court. According to him, the elections of the Punjab and Haryana High Court Bar Association are not being held despite the fact that the one year tenure is over, on the ground that the instant petition re: Strengthening and Enhancing the Institutional Strength of Bar Associations is pending before this Court.*

2. *It is clarified that there is no interim stay passed by this Court against holding of elections of the High courts or District Courts Bar Associations, and the same shall be held strictly in accordance with their respective constitution/bye-laws and rules.*

3. *The Interlocutory Applications are, accordingly, disposed of.*

4. *List the main case on 22.01.2025.*

5. *To be taken up at 2.00 P.M.*

SLP (C) No. 3932/2024 & SLP (C) No. 4067/2024

1. *List on 22.01.2025.*

2. *To be taken up at 2.00 P.M.*

W. P. (C) No. 697/2024

1. *Issue notice, returnable on 22.01.2025.*

2. *Ms. Radhika Gautam, learned counsel, accepts notice on behalf of respondent No.1-Bar Council of India.*

3. *Mr. Jasbir Singh Malik, learned counsel, accepts notice on behalf of respondent No.2-Bar Council of Punjab and Haryana.*

4. *Let notice be issued to the learned Solicitor General of India to represent respondent No.3-Ministry of Law and Justice.*

5. *Reply, if any, be filed within four weeks.*

6. *To be taken up at 2.00 P.M.”*

3. Since it is clarified in the *supra* order that there is no interim stay passed by this Court against the holding of elections of the High Court(s) or District Courts Bar Associations. Moreover, since it is also stated in the order (*supra*) that the elections shall be held strictly in accordance with their respective constitution/bye-laws and rules.



4. In view of the above and also in view of the learned counsel appearing for the respondent – Bar Council of India, submitting that the election schedule has been announced, therebys, the instant petition, as prayed for, by the learned counsel for the petitioners, is disposed of, as having been rendered infructuous.

5. Ordered accordingly and disposed of as such.

6. Pending application, if any, shall stand disposed of.

(SURESHWAR THAKUR)
JUDGE

17.12.2024
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(SUDEEPTI SHARMA)
JUDGE

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