



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

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**CWP No.16725 of 2025
Date of decision : 29.5.2025**

Baljeet Kaur and othersPetitioners
Versus
State of Punjab and othersRespondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SHEEL NAGU, CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUMEET GOEL**

Present: Mr. Angad Parmar, Advocate and
Mr. Akshit Pathania, Advocate, for the petitioners

Mr. Salil Sabhlok, Senior DAG, Punjab

SHEEL NAGU, CJ. (ORAL)

1. The present petition has been filed raising the apprehension that being accused in a trial under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act, 1985, coercive steps may be taken by the State and its functionaries, including that of demolishing immovable property belonging to the petitioners.
2. After seeking instructions, Mr. Salil Sabhlok, Senior DAG, Punjab, assures that the apprehension raised by the petitioners is unfounded since the State and its functionaries shall follow due process of law, as prescribed in Chapter 5-A of the NDPS Act, before any coercive action is taken by the State or its functionaries.
3. In view of the aforesaid assurance given by learned State



counsel, this Court does not deem it appropriate to proceed with this matter and disposes of the petition with the hope and expectation that due process of law shall be followed by the State and its functionaries before taking any coercive steps under Chapter 5-A of NDPS Act, against the petitioners.

4. In the meanwhile, this order will remain in operation only if the petitioners file an appeal before the Appellate Authority within a period of 15 days.

5. The petition stands disposed of.

(SHEEL NAGU)
CHIEF JUSTICE

(SUMEET GOEL)
JUDGE

29.5.2025
Ashwani

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