



CR No.6180 of 2023 (O&M)

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CM No.21042-CII of 2024 in/and
CR No.6180 of 2023 (O&M)
Date of Decision:28.08.2025

HARJEET SINGH AND ANRPetitioners
Vs
STATE OF PUNJAB AND ORSRespondents

CORAM: *HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARKESH MANUJA*

Present: Mr. Umesh Aggarwal, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Gunjan Mehta, Addl. A.G., Punjab.

HARKESH MANUJA, J. (Oral)

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Learned counsel for the applicants/petitioners seeks to withdraw the application as the same has become infructuous.

Dismissed as having become infructuous.

Main case

[1]. By way of present revision petition, challenge has been laid to an order dated 24.02.2023 (Annexure P-7) passed by the learned Additional District Judge, Amritsar whereby the petitioners have been directed to furnish indemnity bonds of double of the amount of Rs.14,38,749/- and Rs.83,43,079/- due and payable to them towards the payment of compensation.

[2]. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and gone through the paper book.

[3]. In the present case, the aforesaid amount payable to the petitioners is due towards compensation against acquisition of their land vide Notification under



Section 4 of the Land Acquisition Act, 1894 followed by passing of Award dated 27.06.1989 by the Land Acquisition Collector. Earlier there was a title dispute between the petitioners and respondent No.3-Amrik Singh, however, the same was finally determined by the learned Court of Additional District Judge, Amritsar vide decision dated 31.07.2014 in favour of the petitioners and no appeal was ever preferred against the same by Amrik Singh. In such circumstances, it was wholly uncalled for on the part of learned Executing Court to ask for indemnity bonds regarding double of the amount due and payable to the petitioners, especially when respondent Nos.1 and 2 herein were granted recovery rights against respondent No.3 for the amount wrongly paid to him out of amount of compensation which was due and payable to the petitioners herein.

[4]. It may also be noticed that respondent No.3 has never appeared in any of the proceedings; neither before the Court of learned Additional District Judge, Amritsar at the time of disposal of the reference nor even in the execution petition surely being apprehensive of recovery to be made from him as ordered by the learned Reference Court vide its Award dated 31.07.2014.

[5]. In view of above, the impugned order dated 24.02.2023 passed by the learned Additional District Judge, Amritsar is hereby set aside thereby directing the learned Executing Court to release the amount of compensation in favour of the petitioners.

[6]. Pending application(s), if any shall also stand disposed of.

August 28, 2025
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(HARKESH MANUJA)
JUDGE

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