



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

**Civil Revision No. 6278 of 2025 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 09.12.2025**

Narpal Singh @ Narpal Singh Dadwal and others
..... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and another
..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARKESH MANUJA

Present: Mr. Krishan Singh Dadwal, Advocate
for the petitioners-Decree Holders.

Mr. Karunesh Kaushal, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab,
for the respondents.

HARKESH MANUJA, J. (ORAL)

The petitioners-decree holders, by way of present revision petition, seek setting aside of an order dated 31.05.2025 (Annexure P-4) passed by the learned Additional District Judge, Hoshiarpur-cum-Executing Court, whereby their claim towards the release of statutory benefits payable in terms of solatium and the statutory interest over the market value assessed by this Court has been rejected.

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

[3] In the considered opinion of this Court, the impugned order is apparently in utter violation of the statutory mandate laid down under the provisions of Land Acquisition Act, 1894 (**for short “1894 Act”**). Upon perusal of the order/Award dated 02.04.1991 (Annexure P-1) passed by the learned Reference Court, it is very much clear that the petitioners-landowners

were specifically and categorically awarded the benefit of 30% solatium alongwith statutory interest in terms of Section 28 of the 1894 Act. On further appeal preferred at the instance of petitioners-landowners, this Court vide decision dated 25.07.2019 (Annexure P-2) in RFA-2378-1991, enhanced the amount of compensation by awarding an additional sum of Rs.1,50,000/- but without any alteration to the grant of solatium and the statutory interest awarded by the learned Reference Court.

In such circumstances, the learned Executing Court was under a legal obligation to ensure the release of solatium as well as statutory interest in favour of the petitioners, in terms of award dated 02.04.1991 passed by the learned Reference Court, which was re-affirmed without any alteration except enhancement of compensation amount, i.e. additional amount of Rs. 1,50,000/- by this Court vide decision dated 25.07.2019 passed in RFA-2378-1991.

[4] In the wake of above, the order dated 31.05.2025 passed by the learned Executing Court is hereby set aside, with a direction to the said Court to restore the execution petition, preferred at the instance of petitioners, at its original number, so as to ensure the enforcement of the Award dated 02.04.1991 passed by the learned Reference Court as well as the decision dated 25.07.2019 passed by this Court.

[5] The petition is **disposed off** accordingly.

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

December 09, 2025
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(HARKESH MANUJA)
JUDGE

Whether Speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	Yes/No