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

CWP-28609-2023

Date of Decision : **19.05.2025**

SURINDER PABLA

....Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDEEP TIWARI

Present : Mr. R.K.Chauhan, Advocate with
Mr. Ankush Chauhan, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr.Pardeep Bajaj, DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Navdeep Chhabra, Advocate
for respondent no.4-GMADA

Mr. Hemant Bassi, Advocate,
for respondent no.5.

KULDEEP TIWARI, J.(Oral)

1. Through the instant writ petition filed under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India, challenge is thrown to the order dated 04.12.2023 (Annexure P-4), passed by respondent no.3 (Permanent Lok Adalat, SAS, Nagar Mohali), vide which the petitioner was served with a contempt notice, directing him appear on 18.12.2023. He further seeks a direction to quash the order dated 08.09.2023 (Annexure P-3), whereby an *ex parte* direction has been issued to the Deputy Commissioner,

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Mohali, to break open the door installed in the House No.HIG-1632, Phase-9, Mohali, with the police assistance, to provide access to the terrace for respondent no.5.

2. The respondent no.3-Permanent Lok Adalat (Public Utility Services) concerned, on an application preferred by respondent no.5, passed an interim order, directing the Deputy Commissioner, Mohali, to depute a Duty Magistrate, alongwith the police assistance to break open the door installed in House No.HIG-1632, Phase-9, Mohali, to provide access to terrace for respondent no.5, as the petitioner has installed a door in between the ground floor and the first floor, which obstructs the way of respondent no.5 to the top roof, in order to check water supply/water tank etc. to her house. Upon non-compliance of the said interim directions, the impugned contempt notice (*supra*) was served upon the present petitioner, by respondent no.3.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner assails both the impugned orders (*supra*), on the ground of jurisdiction of the Permanent Lok Adalat (Public Utility Services) concerned.

4. The co-ordinate bench, at the time of issuance of notice, by drawing an order dated 19.12.2023, stayed the further proceedings pursuant to the contempt notice issued to the petitioner.

5. Today, during the course of hearing, a proposal for settlement made by learned counsel for the petitioner, filed in Court today, which is

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ordered to be taken on record as Annexure A-1. The relevant part thereof is extracted hereinafter:-

“1. The petitioner will install CCTV Camera on the main gate of ground floor of H.No.1631, Phase-9, SAS Nagar, Mohali.

2. That petitioner also agreed that respondent no.5 can approach to water tank for any purpose which is installed by respondent no.5 on roof top through the iron gate on the staircase provided by GMADA authority to approach roof top. Petitioner will not stop respondent no.5 from doing so.”

6. In view of the above settlement, learned counsel for contesting respondent no.5, submits that respondent no.5, will withdraw all her complaints filed against the petitioner with regard to the instant dispute, however, the said proposal of settlement has some ambiguity, as the petitioner can be granted permission only to install one CCTV camera, pointing towards the main gate of the ground floor only, which shall not point towards the entry gate of respondent no.5.

7. Learned counsel for the petitioner, accedes to the aforesaid submission, as made by learned counsel for respondent no.5.

8. In view of the above, since a consensual settlement has been arrived at between the petitioner and respondent no.5 in terms of Annexure A-1, both the orders (*supra*), as impugned before this Court, are hereby set aside.

9. Both the parties shall remain bound by the terms of proposal of settlement, in case, there is any violation thereof on the part of any of

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the parties, they are at liberty to approach an appropriate authority/forum,
by moving an apt motion.

9. **Disposed of**, accordingly.

May 19, 2025
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(KULDEEP TIWARI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned.	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable.	:	Yes/No