



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

Sr. No.123

CWP-30417-2025 (O&M)

Date of decision: 30.10.2025

Ramkrishan Singh and others

....Petitioners

Versus

Joint Development Commissioner, Punjab, Department of Rural
Development and Panchayats, S.A.S. Nagar, Mohali and others

....Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK SIBAL
HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE LAPITA BANERJI**

Present: Mr. L.S. Sidhu, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Ms. Mandeep Kaur, DAG, Punjab.

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DEEPAK SIBAL, J. (Oral)

1. Through this petition, the petitioners seek issuance of directions to respondent No.1 to expeditiously dispose of their statutory appeal filed by them to challenge therein order of the Collector dated 19.05.2025 through which order, on an application filed by the respondent - Gram Panchayat, under Section 7 of the Punjab Village Common Lands (Regulation) Act, 1961 (for short – the 1961 Act), the petitioners have been ordered to be evicted from the land in dispute.

2. At the outset, learned State counsel, who appears on advance notice, submits that the petitioners' appeal, filed by them to challenge therein the order of the Collector dated 19.05.2025, shall be decided by respondent No.1 within four weeks.

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3. After hearing learned counsel for the parties and in particular the statement made before us by the learned State counsel, we dispose of this petition with a direction to respondent No.1 to take a final decision on the petitioners' appeal, filed by them to challenge therein the order of the Collector dated 19.05.2025, within one month from the date of receipt of a copy of this order but only after grant of adequate opportunity of hearing to all affected parties and in accordance with law.

4. It is further directed that till the final decision is taken by respondent No.1 on the petitioners' aforesaid appeal and conveyed to them, they shall not be dispossessed from the land in dispute.

5. It is clarified that the interim stay granted by us through the instant order shall not influence respondent No.1 in any manner while deciding the petitioners' afore-referred appeal.

(DEEPAK SIBAL)
JUDGE

(LAPITA BANERJI)
JUDGE

October 30, 2025*Jyoti 1*

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No