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

CWP-30640-2025

Date of Decision: 16.10.2025

Lovepreet Kaur

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSH BUNGER

Present: Mr. Amit Aorar, Advocate
for the petitioner.

HARSH BUNGER J. (ORAL)

Petition herein is, *inter alia*, seeking a writ in the nature of Mandamus, directing the official respondents to allow the Sarpanch to exercise the right of casting vote in terms of Section 24 of the Punjab Panchayati Raj Act, 1994 (in short 'the 1994 Act').

2. At this stage, Ms. Pratibha Bali, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab, appears on behalf of the respondent-State, in pursuance of the advance copy of paper book having already been supplied to her, and submits that the District Development and Panchayat Officer, Tarn Taran, has scheduled the meeting of the Gram Panchayat, Village Bala Chak, to be held in his office on 18.11.2025. She further submits that, in the event of an equality of votes during the said meeting, the petitioner (Sarpanch) shall be

allowed to exercise the right of casting vote in terms of Section 24 of the 1994 Act.

3. Keeping in view the aforesaid submissions made by learned State counsel, no further orders are required to be passed in the present writ petition and the same is accordingly disposed of.

4. All the pending application(s), if any, shall also stand closed.

16.10.2025

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**(HARSH BUNGER)
JUDGE**

1. Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

2. Whether reportable : Yes/No