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

COCP-5189-2024

Date of decision: 26.08.2025

GURPINDER SNGH & ANR.

..Petitioners

Versus

TEJVEER SINGH, IAS AND OTHERS

..Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE SUDEEPTI SHARMA

Present: Mr. Tejbir Singh Hundal, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Deepender Singh, Addl. A.G, Punjab.

SUDEEPTI SHARMA, J. (Oral)

1. The present contempt petition has been filed for deliberate and intentional disobedience of order dated 11.12.2024 passed in CWP-33324-2024.

2. The relevant portion of the order dated 11.12.2024 is reproduced as under:-

“The present writ petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.6 and 7 to provide police protection to the petitioners so as to enable them to file their nomination papers.”

3. The dispute in all the writ petitions was regarding the process of conducting elections for the posts of Councillors/Members of the Municipal Corporations, Municipal Councils, and Nagar Panchayats in the State of Punjab.

4. Learned counsel for the respondents contends that against the judgments passed by this Court, SLP (C) No. 3894-2025 was filed and Hon’ble the Supreme passed the following order:-



“7. Keeping in view the peculiar facts and circumstances, both sides have fairly agreed to deviate from the settled prescribed procedure so that a Fact-Finding Commission can be constituted limited to the sub-judice constituencies. Liberty to submit claims shall be limited to those who have either approached the High Court or this Court by way of special leave petitions/intervenor applications.

8. It goes without saying that the appointment of the Fact-Finding Commission will not be a precedent. We appoint Hon'ble Ms. Justice Nirmaliit Kaur, former Judge of the Punjab and Haryana High Court to perform the above illustrated task, preferably on day-to-day basis and submit a report at the earliest. It is clarified that we have not expressed any opinion on the merits of the issues, which are kept open.

9. The learned Judge shall be paid by Government of Punjab an honorarium of Rs.5 lakhs per month besides an official vehicle and full secretarial assistance as per the requirement. Similarly, the learned Judge shall be entitled to engage a retired Judicial Officer of her choice and one Private Secretary to assist in day-to-day functioning.

10. The Punjab Government shall provide a suitable office space in a Government Building in Chandigarh of SAS Nagar, Mohali to convene the proceedings.”

5. In view of the decision of Hon'ble the Supreme Court referred to above, the contempt is purged. Rule is *discharged*.

August 26th, 2025

Gaurav Arora

**(SUDEEPTI SHARMA)
JUDGE**

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