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

**(212) LPA-283-2021 (O&M)
Date of Decision : January 14, 2026**

Nachhatar Singh .. Appellant

Versus

**Financial Commissioner (Appeals), Punjab and others
.. Respondents**

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS SURI**

Present: Mr. Krishan Kumar Thakur, Advocate, for the appellant.

Mr. Rahul Rampal, Addl. A.G., Punjab.

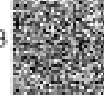
Mr. Kamal Narula, Advocate, for respondent No.4.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI J. (ORAL)

1. In the present appeal, the challenge is to the order dated 26.11.2020 passed by the learned Single Judge in CWP No.20153 of 2020, whereby the claim of the petitioner therein that respondent No.4 has only been appointed as Lambardar was rejected.

2. Learned counsel for the appellant submits that once, the Collector had initially appointed the appellant as a Lambardar and the said appointment ought to have been upheld by the authorities. However, his appointment was set aside by the Commissioner, Ferozepur Division, Ferozepur and the matter was remanded back to the Collector for fresh consideration. Upon remand, the appellant was again selected as Lambardar but the said appointment was once again set aside by the Commissioner, Ferozepur Division, Ferozepur and instead respondent No.4 was appointed

in his place. It is therefore contended that the said action is arbitrary and

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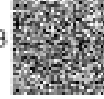
illegal and the same has not been appreciated by the learned Single Judge in its correct perspective.

3. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of respondent No.4 submits that the Collector had appointed the appellant as Lambardar without there being any comparative assessment of the candidates for the same and therefore the Commissioner, Ferozepur Division, Ferozepur during the second round of litigation, assessed the comparative merit and found the respondent No.4 as better suited for the appointment as Lambardar. This view has been upheld not only by the Financial Commissioner (Appeals), Punjab but also by the learned Single Judge as well and therefore, the present appeal may kindly be dismissed.

4. We have heard learned counsel for the parties and have gone through the record with their able assistance.

5. As the Commissioner, Ferozepur Division, Ferozepur has already assessed both the candidates and found respondent No.4 more meritorious and the same view has already been accepted by the Financial Commissioner (Appeals), Punjab as well as by the learned Single Judge, no interference is called for by this Court till the said findings are proved to be perverse.

6. Learned counsel for the appellant has not been able to prove that the findings recorded by the Commissioner, Ferozepur Division, Ferozepur qua the comparative assessment of the parties is perverse on any of the grounds rather, the findings recorded qua the comparative assessment is based upon due reasoning given by the authorities concerned. Hence, in the absence of any perversity with respect to the said findings shown to this



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Court, the order passed by the Commissioner, Ferozepur Division, Ferozepur which has already been upheld by the Financial Commissioner (Appeals), Punjab as well as by the learned Single Judge, needs no interference at the hands of this Court.

7. Accordingly, the appeal is dismissed.
8. Civil miscellaneous application pending if any, also stands disposed of.

(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

January 14, 2026
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(VIKAS SURI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes
Whether reportable : No