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184 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

RFA-3702-1998 (O&M)

Decided on:-25.02.2026

Jagir Singh and others

....Appellants.

vs.

Punjab State thr. Chief Secretary, Punjab
and others

.Respondents.

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARKESH MANUJA

Present: Mr.Ritesh Pandey, Advocate for the appellants.

Mr. Puru Jarewal, DAG, Punjab.

HARKESH MANUJA J. (Oral)

1. By way of present appeal, challenge has been laid to an Award dated 14.01.1998 passed by the Court of learned Additional District Judge, Gurdaspur, whereby the reference petition preferred at the instance of appellant-landowner, was partly accepted.

2. At the outset, learned counsel for the appellants submits that the present appeal is squarely covered by the judgment dated 25.01.2012 passed by this Court in RFA-3256-1992 titled as ***“Punjab State vs. Gurbux Singh and others”***, whereby the market value of the land was fixed at the rate of Rs.45,000/- per acre, acquired vide notification dated 24.03.1983 issued under Section 4 of the Land Acquisition Act, 1894. The relevant portion of the judgment is reproduced hereunder:-

“Learned counsel for the landowners submitted that land of

different villages was acquired vide same notification for the purpose of construction of bye-pass at Gurdaspur. This Court in RFA No.2385 of 1990 titled as Balwant Singh Vs. The Punjab State through the Collector and another, decided on 12.11.2009, which was followed in RFA No.1544 of 1993, titled as Kunan Singh and others Vs. Punjab State and others, decided on 07.04.2011, has assessed compensation for the acquired land of other villages @ Rs.45,000/- per acre and the landowners in the appeals are also entitled to same amount of compensation.”

3 On the other hand, learned counsel representing the respondents is not in a position to controvert the above factual position.

4. After going through the judgment passed in ***Gurbux Singh’s case (supra)*** as well as the present case, this Court agrees with the assertion of the learned counsel for the appellants.

5. Consequently, the present appeal is disposed of in the same terms as ***Gurbux Singh’s case (supra)***.

6. Pending application, if any, also stand disposed of.

25.02.2026

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(HARKESH MANUJA)
JUDGE

(i) Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No
(ii) Whether reportable: Yes/ No