



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

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COCP-1479-2026 (O&M)
Date of decision: 07.04.2026

Lakhvir Singh Gharu and others

...Petitioners

V/s

Sh. Arshdeep Singh Thind and others

...Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKRAM AGGARWAL

Present: Ms. Alka Chatrath, Advocate, for the petitioners.

Ms. Shiny Chopra, AAG, Punjab.

VIKRAM AGGARWAL, J (ORAL)

The instant contempt petition alleges disobedience of order dated 14.11.2024 (Annexure P-1) passed in CWP-28802-2023.

2. The grievance raised by the petitioners in the writ petition was that their salary had been reduced without giving any opportunity of hearing.

3. The respondents gave a statement before the writ Court that the order, vide which the salary had been reduced be treated as withdrawn. It was also stated that the department would pass a fresh order in accordance with law after affording an opportunity of hearing to the petitioners.

4. The writ petition was accordingly disposed of.

5. In compliance of the directions issued by the writ Court on the basis of the statement given, speaking order dated 22.04.2025 was passed. The grievance of the petitioners is that the salary for the intervening period has not been paid and instead recoveries are being made.

6. Reference has been made to order dated 16.01.2026 passed in COCP-73-2026 and other connected petitions and it has been stated that the instant petition is covered by the said decision.

7. Learned State counsel, on instructions from Mr. Rakesh Kumar Sharma, DDA (Headquarters), Department of Agriculture and Farmer Welfare, submits that the requisite payment shall be released within a period of four weeks, subject to the rights of recovery, in accordance with law.

8. In the wake of the statement given by learned State counsel, learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners do not press the instant petition and the same be disposed of.

9. In view of the statements given by learned counsel for parties, the present contempt petition is disposed of as not having been pressed.

Pending application(s), if any, also stand disposed of.

(VIKRAM AGGARWAL)
JUDGE

April 07, 2026

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No