



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

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CWP-13488-2026

Date of Decision: 01.05.2026

BIKRAM SINGH AND ANOTHER

...Petitioners

Vs.

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ORS.

...Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAGMOHAN BANSAL

Present:- Mr. Suvir Sidhu, Advocate for the petitioners

Mr. Ishan Kaushal, AAG Punjab

Mr. R.K. Girdhar, Advocate for respondent No.3

JAGMOHAN BANSAL, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioners through instant petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India are seeking setting aside of orders dated 24.03.2026, 15.04.2026 and report dated 29.01.2026.

2. The petitioner No. 2 claims that he is duly appointed Mahant and caretaker of Dera Bangla Bhangala (for short 'Dera') as per religious customs and registered instruments such as Will dated 16.02.2018. He executed a registered General Power of Attorney dated 20.07.2021 in favor of Petitioner No.1 for managing the affairs of the Dera. Respondent No.3 approached various authorities including Deputy Commissioner, SSP, Taran Tarn, Vigilance Bureau, Revenue Authorities challenging the administrative functions of the Dera. Persistent harassment on the part of Respondent No.3 propelled them to approach this Hon'ble Court by way of *CRWP-7528-2023* raising grievance regarding multiplicity of

complaints and harassment. This Court vide order dated 31.07.2023 disposed of the matter while directing official Respondent to nominate Senior Officer or formulate a committee to examine complaints against petitioners. At the instance of respondent No.3, recommendations were made to initiate criminal proceedings against Petitioner No.1 which again propelled them to approach this Court by way of *CWP-5128-2024* whereby operation of recommendation dated 29.02.2024 was stayed vide order dated 01.03.2024. Subsequently, both the writ petitions and connected matters were disposed of vide order dated 08.05.2025 whereby Court directed the competent authority to conduct independent inquiry afresh after giving due opportunity of hearing to concerned parties. Pursuant to aforesaid order, impugned communication dated 24.03.2026 and letter dated 15.04.2026 has been issued without granting opportunity of hearing to the petitioners.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that there is no dispute between petitioners and Shiromani Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee (for short 'SGPC'). It is undisputed that subjected land is not Gurdwara. There is no claim of SGPC and dispute is between private parties, thus, inquiry officer has wrongly recommended that subjected land should be taken care of by SGPC.

4. The petitioners are assailing inquiry report dated 29.01.2026 prepared by Addl. Director General of Police, Punjab and Sub Divisional Magistrate, Payal. The report has been prepared on the directions of this Court. The parties approached this Court seeking inquiry. On their request, this Court directed authorities to conduct inquiry. The impugned

inquiry has been conducted by one of senior-most Police Officers with the assistance of Revenue Officer. This Court cannot examine veracity of the inquiry and comment upon its contents.

5. There is substance in the contention of the petitioners that subjected land should not be supervised by SGPC. Learned counsel for the respondent are also not disputing the said prayer. Accordingly, it is hereby ordered that subjected land would not be supervised/controlled by SGPC as ordered by Inquiry Officer.

6. Disposed of.

7. The Court is sanguine that any action proposed in the report would be taken in accordance with law.

8. Pending application(s), if any, stands disposed of.

(JAGMOHAN BANSAL)
JUDGE

May 01, 2026
Deepak DPA

Whether Speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	Yes/No