



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

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**CWP-14004-2015 (O&M)
Date of Decision:24.03.2026**

Khushpreet Singh

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASGURPREET SINGH PURI

Present:- Mr. Tahaf Bains, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Raghav Goel, AAG Punjab.

Mr. Vaneet Soni, Advocate for
Mr. Gyan Parkash Saini, Advocate for respondent No.3.

JASGURPREET SINGH PURI J.(Oral)

1. Learned counsels for the parties state that in pursuance of the order dated 27.10.2025 passed by this Court, the Registrar, Cooperative Societies, has already filed a reply by way of an affidavit. However, the same is not traceable on the file. Learned State counsel has supplied a copy of the affidavit filed by Mr. Girish Dayalan, IAS, Registrar, Cooperative Societies, Punjab, and the same is now taken on record.

2. Learned counsels for the parties further state that in paragraph No. 3 of the said affidavit, it has been stated that the appeal filed by Lakhbir Singh (private respondent) does not fall within the ambit of Section 68 of the Punjab Cooperative Societies Act, 1961. Learned counsel



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appearing on behalf of the private respondent also does not dispute the aforesaid legal proposition of law.

3. In view of the above, the order dated 09.05.2014 (Annexure P-5) passed by the Deputy Registrar, Cooperative Societies, Mansa, and the order dated 28.04.2015 (Annexure P-6) passed by the Special Secretary, Cooperation, Punjab, Chandigarh, are hereby set aside.

4. The petition stands allowed.

(JASGURPREET SINGH PURI)
JUDGE

24.03.2026

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No