

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH****CWP-14652-2026 (O&M)****Date of Decision : 12.05.2026**

Gram Panchayat Village Mahadipur

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and Others

... Respondents

**CORAM : HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ALKA SARIN****HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAMESH CHANDER DIMRI**

Present : Mr. Amrik Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Aman Dhir, DAG Punjab for respondent Nos.1 and 2

**ALKA SARIN, J. (Oral)**

1. The limited prayer in the present petition is for issuance of a direction to respondent No.2-District Development and Panchayat Officer, Ludhiana to decide the petition filed by the petitioner under Section 7 of the Punjab Village Common Lands (Regulation) Act, 1961 (for short the 'Act of 1961').

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner has contended that respondent Nos.3 to 5, against whom petition under Section 7 of the Act of 1961 has been preferred, had filed a petition under Section 11 of the Act of 1961 and their claim qua declaration that they are owners of the property in dispute stood rejected by the Supreme Court vide order dated 02.01.2025 (Annexure P-5) passed in SLP (C) Nos.17304-17305 of 2014. Thereafter, a review was preferred, which was also dismissed and despite the same respondent No.2 is

not proceeding with the matter.

3. Learned State counsel is not in a position to deny the factual submissions made by learned counsel for the petitioner.

4. In view of the above, the present petition is disposed off with a direction to respondent No.2-District Development and Panchayat Officer, Ludhiana to decide the matter expeditiously and preferably within a period of one month from today. Pending applications, if any, also stand disposed off.

**( ALKA SARIN )  
JUDGE**

12.05.2026  
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**( RAMESH CHANDER DIMRI )  
JUDGE**

NOTE: Whether speaking/non-speaking: Speaking  
Whether reportable: YES/NO