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CWP-34469-2025 & connected cases 1

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH
(Sr. No.103+202+224+225)

(1) CM-18450-CWP-2025;
CM-1570-CWP-2026 in/and
CWP-34469-2025
Date of Decision: 18.03.2026

Municipal Council Dina Nagar through its President and others
.. Petitioner
Versus

State of Punjab and others .. Respondents

(2) CWP-34470-2025

Municipal Council Gurdaspur through its President and others
.. Petitioners
Versus

State of Punjab and others .. Respondents

(3) CWP-34471-2025

Municipal Council Qadian through its President and others
.. Petitioners
Versus

State of Punjab and others .. Respondents

(4) CWP-519-2026

Anita Rani and others .. Petitioners
Versus

State of Punjab and others .. Respondents

(5) CWP-466-2026

Sahil Arora and others .. Petitioners
Versus

State of Punjab and others .. Respondents

(6) CWP-568-2026

Rajinder Kumar and others .. Petitioners
Versus

State of Punjab and others .. Respondents

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CWP-1337-2026 (O&M)

Salwant Singh and others

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..Petitioners

.. Respondents
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CWP-1996-2026 (O&M)

Nachhatar Singh and another

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..Petitioners

.. Respondents
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CWP-2281-2026 (O&M)

Sanjeev Kumar and another

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..Petitioners

.. Respondents
- (10)

CWP-2306-2026 (O&M)

Anil Vasudeva and others

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..Petitioners

.. Respondents
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CWP-2341-2026 (O&M)

Rohit Puri and another

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..Petitioners

.. Respondents
- (12)

CWP-2397-2026 (O&M)

Shamsher Singh and others

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..Petitioners

.. Respondents
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CWP-2481-2026 (O&M)

Udayvir Singh Dhillon and others

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..Petitioners

.. Respondents

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Harmeet Singh

Versus

State of Punjab and others

(15)

Ranjam Kamra

Versus

State of Punjab and others

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Avtar Singh and another

Versus

State of Punjab and others

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Charan Jeet Singh and others

Versus

State of Punjab and others

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS SURI**

Present: Mr. Navdeep Singh, Senior Advocate with
Mr. Yajur Sharma, Advocate,
Ms. Roopan Atwal, Advocate and
Mr. Rajat Chauhan, Advocate for the petitioner(s)
in CWPs-34469,34470 & 34471 of 2025.

Mr. Surinder Pal Singh Tinna, Advocate,
for the petitioners in CWP-519-2026, CWP-1285-2026 and
CWP-1286-2026.

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Mr. Lovish Arora, Advocate, for
Mr. Sanjeev Kumar Arora, Advocate, for the petitioners
in CWP-466-2026.

Mr. Nitin Jain, Advocate with
Mr. Yajur Sharma, Advocate, for petitioners
in CWP-568-2026 and CWP-1337-2026.

Mr. Parvinder Singh, Advocate and
Mr. Baljinder Singh, Advocate, for petitioners
in CWP-1996-2026.

Mr. N.K. Verma Advocate with
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for the petitioners in CWP-2281-2026,
CWP-2306-2026 and CWP-2341-2026.

Mr. A.P. Kaushal, Advocate, for the petitioners
in CWP-2397-2026.

Mr. ADS Jattana, Advocate
for the petitioners in CWP-2481-2026.

Mr. Bhupinder Ghai, Advocate, for the petitioners
in CWP-2994-2026.

Mr. Saurav Bhatia, Advocate and
Mr. N.S. Khokkar, Advocate, for the petitioners
in CWP-1228-2026.

Mr. Jastej Singh, Addl. Advocate General, Punjab.

Mr. Satya Pal Jain, Additional Solicitor General of India, with
Ms. Neha Sharma, Advocate, for respondent-UOI.

Ms. Anu Chatrath, Senior Advocate, with
Mr. Ratik Chatrath Kapur, Advocate for respondent-MC
in CWP-34469-2025, CWP-34470-2025.

Mr. Maninder Singh, Senior Advocate, with
Mr. Pradeep Sharma, Advocate, for respondent No.3
in CWP-568-2026.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI J. (ORAL)

CM-1601-CWP-2026 in CWP-1286-2026

Present application has been filed for impleading Registrar

General and Census Commissioner of India, Ministry of Home Affairs,

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Janganana Bhawan, 2-A, Man Singh Road, New Delhi and Directorate of Census Operations, Punjab through its Director, Janganana Bhawan, First and Second Floor, Plot No.2-B, Sector 19-A, Madhya Marg, Chandigarh as respondents No. 6 and 7 in the present petition.

Keeping in view the averments made in the application, which are duly supported by an affidavit, the application is allowed. Registrar General and Census Commissioner of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, Janganana Bhawan, 2-A, Man Singh Road, New Delhi and Directorate of Census Operations, Punjab through its Director, Janganana Bhawan, First and Second Floor, Plot No.2-B, Sector 19-A, Madhya Marg, Chandigarh are impleaded as respondents No. 6 and 7 in the present petition.

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1. By this common order, 17 writ petitions, the details of which have been given in the heading, are being disposed of as all these petitions involve the same question of law on similar facts.
2. Present bunch relates to the challenge to de-limitation of wards done to the various Urban Local Bodies in the State of Punjab.
3. Learned State counsel, on instructions from the competent authority, submits that any notification issued de-limiting the wards after 01.01.2026 or any final notification which is yet to be issued where de-limitation process was initiated qua the Municipal Council/Corporation, be treated as withdrawn/abandoned as of now with liberty to initiate the process as per law keeping in view the requirement henceforth.
4. Learned counsel for the respondents further submits that the said statement is being made keeping in view the notification issued by the



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Government of India by which, the boundaries of Urban Local Bodies including wards were frozen as on 31.12.2025 hence, any action henceforth for de-limiting will be taken keeping in view the facts and circumstances and the requirement keeping in view the notification of de freezing the limits by the Government of India.

5. Keeping in view the said statement, learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the writ petitions, the details of which have been given in heading of the order, have been rendered infructuous where the final order of de-limitation of the ward was passed after 31.12.2025 or are yet to be passed keeping in various circumstances including the interim order in favour of the petitioners not to proceed further with the de-limitation process in such Municipal Council/Corporation and the same may kindly be disposed of as infructuous.

6. Ordered accordingly.

7. Civil miscellaneous application pending if any, also stands disposed of.

8. A photocopy of this order be placed on the file of other connected cases.

(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

March 18, 2026
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(VIKAS SURI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes
Whether reportable : No