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

CWP-35969-2025 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 19.01.2026

Soni Singh

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSH BUNGER

Present: Ms. Amandeep Soni, Advocate
for the petitioner.

HARSH BUNGER J. (ORAL)

Petition herein is, *inter alia*, seeking a writ in the nature of Certiorari for setting aside order dated 18.08.2025 (Annexure P-3) passed by the learned Financial Commissioner (Appeals), Punjab.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner, at the outset, submits that she does not press the present writ petition on merits, as regards the challenge to the remand order dated 18.09.2023 (Annexure P-2) passed by the learned Divisional Commissioner, Jalandhar, is concerned; which has been further affirmed by the learned Financial Commissioner (Appeals), Punjab, vide order dated 18.08.2025 (Annexure P-3). However, she prays that time bound directions may be issued to the learned Collector, Jalandhar, for decision of the remanded case.

3. Given the nature of order being passed, notice of motion is being issued only to respondents No.1 to 3, at this stage, and there is no

necessity to seek any response from official respondents No.1 to 3 or even to serve private respondent No.4.

4. Mr. Nirmaljeet Singh Diwana, Senior Deputy Advocate General, Punjab, who is present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State.

5. Learned State counsel does not oppose the aforesaid course suggested by learned counsel for the petitioner.

6. Keeping in view the submissions made by learned counsel for the respective parties, the present writ petition is dismissed as not pressed. However, since the matter relating to the appointment of Lambardar of Village Madhopur, Tehsil Jalandhar-2, District Jalandhar, has been pending for more than six years, the learned Collector, Jalandhar, is directed to make an earnest endeavour to decide the same expeditiously and preferably within a period of three months from the date of appearance of the parties before him, after affording due opportunity of hearing to all concerned parties.

6.1 The parties are directed to appear either personally or through their respective counsel(s) before the learned Collector, Jalandhar, on 29.01.2026 or any other date as may be fixed by the learned Collector.

7. The present writ petition is disposed of in the aforestated terms.

8. All the pending application(s), if any, shall also stand closed.

19.01.2026

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(HARSH BUNGER)

JUDGE

1. Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

2. Whether reportable : Yes/No