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

COCP-6418-2026 (O&M)
Date of decision : 18.03.2026

Gram Panchayat, Kothe Baba Malkit Singh ...Petitioner

Versus

Surinderjeet Singh and another ...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE HARPREET KAUR JEEWAN

Present: Mr. Rajbir Singh Attari, Advocate (through V.C.),
 for the petitioner.

Mr. B.S. Bali, Addl.A.G., Punjab.

HARPREET KAUR JEEWAN, J. (Oral)

1. Prayer in the present petition is for initiation of proceedings under Sections 10 & 12 of the Contempt of Courts Act, 1971, against the respondents for alleged willful disobedience of the directions issued by the larger Bench vide order dated 30.09.2025 (Annexure P-1), passed in CWP-PIL-288-2025, whereby concerned respondents (respondent Nos.3 & 5 in the writ petition) were directed to decide the representations dated 24.06.2025 & 11.07.2025 (Annexure P-4 & P-5, respectively in the writ petition), by passing a speaking order.

2. Learned State counsel appearing on behalf of the respondents has informed that a speaking order dated 09.02.2026 has been passed by the Punjab Pollution Control Board-respondent No.3 in the writ petition.

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3. Learned State counsel has further informed that various directions have been issued in the said order, including as under:-

- “A. Directions u/s 31-A of the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 as amended in 1987 be issued to the industry to the effect:*
- i. That the industry shall not operate its unit without obtaining consent to operate of the Board as required under the provisions of the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 under any circumstances.*
 - ii. That the polluting process of industry including paint booth shall be sealed immediately by Regional Office, Barnala.*
- B. Environmental Engineer, Regional Office, Barnala shall ensure to compliance of above directions, submit the report within one week. He shall also keep strict vigil on the industry w.r.t. not to operate its unit without obtaining consent to operate from the Board under any circumstances.”*

3. In view of the above, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner shall pursue the matter with the competent authority in terms of the aforesaid directions, as such, present petition be disposed of with liberty to avail appropriate remedy at appropriate stage.

4. Disposed of with the liberty aforesaid.

5. Pending miscellaneous application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

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[HARPREET KAUR JEEWAN]
JUDGE

Whether speaking / reasoned :	Yes	No
Whether Reportable :	Yes	No