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

(211)

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Date of Decision : 07.01.2025

Harbhajan Singh and another

...Petitioners

Versus

Union of India and others

...Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDEEP TIWARI**

Present: Mr. S.S. Salar, Advocate  
for the petitioners.

Mr. Bharat Bhushan Sharma, Sr. Panel Counsel  
for respondent No.1-UOI.

Mr. Yogesh Putney, Advocate  
for respondents Nos.2 and 3.

Mr. Teevar Sharma, AAG, Punjab  
for respondent No.4.

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**KULDEEP TIWARI, J.(ORAL)**

1. Through the instant petition, cast under Articles 226 and 227 of the Constitution of India, a prayer is made for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus, directing the official respondents to provide suitable passage including underground passage, beneath the new railway line being laid down for access to the land of the petitioner, which was stated to be bifurcated on account of the act of the respondents Nos.2 and 3.

2. During the course of the arguments, it is not disputed by the learned counsel for the parties concerned, that in fact, the grievance of the petitioners has already been redressed. For providing a path to the petitioners, a land has been acquired and the acquisition proceedings have attained



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finality.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioners though admits that the asked for relief, has already been granted to the petitioners, by the respondents concerned. However, till date, after completion of the acquisition proceedings, the land was not actually demarcated and the *rasta* has not been carved out on the acquired land.

4. In view of the above submissions, this Court deems it appropriate to pass a mandamus upon the State of Punjab, respondent No.4, to take further necessary actions, i.e. to carry out the demarcation on the acquired land, and to provide the said *rasta* to the *Gram Panchayat* concerned, so that the said *rasta* can be connected to the land of the petitioners.

5. **Disposed of** accordingly.

6. It is expected that the Govt. of Punjab, shall carry out the further necessary action three months from today. In case, the grievance of the petitioners still subsists, they would be at liberty to revive the instant petition, by filing the appropriate motion.

(KULDEEP TIWARI)  
JUDGE

January 07, 2025  
Manpreet

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No  
Whether reportable : Yes/No