



CWP No.16030 of 2023 (O&M)

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CWP No.16030 of 2023 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 02.08.2025

PARESH KUMAR AND ORS

.....Petitioners

Vs

UNION OF INDIA AND ORS

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARKESH MANUJA

Present: Mr. Satbir Rathore, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. B.S. Sudan, Advocate
for respondent Nos.1 and 2.

Mr. Siddharth Sandhu, Asstt. A.G., Punjab
for respondent No.3.

HARKESH MANUJA, J. (Oral)

1. Dispute in the present case is only with respect to grant of 30% solatium along with interest as per provisions of Section 23(2) & 28 of the Land Acquisition Act, 1894 for the acquisition of land owned by the petitioners in terms of provision of National Highway Act, 1956.

2. The contention raised on behalf of the petitioners is that though the award was passed by the Arbitrator on 28.01.2009, yet no solatium was paid whereas, in terms of settled law, the petitioners-landowners were entitled for 30% solatium.

3. Faced with this, learned counsel for respondent No.3 on instructions from the concerned Officer submits that the award with respect to grant of 30% solatium along with other benefits shall be passed within two weeks from today in terms of decision dated 04.02.2025 passed in **Misc. Application No.1773 of 2021**



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in C.A. No.7064 of 2019 titled 'Union of India & Another vs. Tarsem Singh & Others.

4. Learned counsel for respondent Nos.1 and 2 submits that as soon as the copy of supplementary award is served upon respondent No.2, the necessary payment shall be released in favour of respondent No.3 in terms thereof within two weeks thereafter. Further, learned State counsel representing respondent No.3 submits that the said payment shall be released to the petitioners within two weeks thereafter upon due verification.

5. In view of aforesaid undertaking, the present petition stand disposed of. Pending application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed of.

August 02, 2025

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(HARKESH MANUJA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No