



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

**C. R No. 5038 of 2025 (O&M)
Date of decision:- 31.07.2025**

M/s Dainik Savera News and Media NetworkPetitioner

versus

Gurbaksh Singh ...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE SUDEEPTI SHARMA

Present: Ms. Apoorva Kinra, Advocate
for the petitioner.

SUDEEPTI SHARMA, J. (Oral)

1. Present petition has been preferred against order dated 16.07.2025 passed by learned Civil Judge (Jr. Divn.)-15, Jalandhar in Civil Suit bearing No. CS.2145 of 10.09.2019 titled as '***Dainik Savera News and Media Network vs. Gurbaksh Singh***', whereby evidence of the petitioner/plaintiff has been closed by Court order.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that only two witnesses are required to be examined and due to unavoidable circumstances, the petitioner could not examine them. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the next date of hearing before learned Civil Judge (Jr. Divn.)-15, Jalandhar is 04.08.2025. She prays that one last effective opportunity be granted to the petitioner to lead her evidence and to examine the unexamined two witnesses. She submits that petitioner is ready to lead evidence and to examine the two witnesses on 04.08.2025 i.e next date fixed before the learned trial Court. Hence, she prays that the present revision petition be allowed.



3. I have heard learned counsel for the petitioner and perused the whole file of this case with her able assistance.

4. As per contention of learned counsel for the petitioner, the petitioner could not complete the evidence due to unavoidable circumstances and only two witnesses are left to be examined. A *lis* should be decided on merits rather on technicalities, therefore, justice demands that one last effective opportunity is required to be granted to the petitioner to examine the two witnesses.

5. In view of the above, the present revision petition stands allowed and order dated 16.07.2025 passed by learned Civil Judge (Jr. Divn.)-15, Jalandhar is set aside to the extent of closing the evidence of the petitioner. One last effective opportunity is granted to the petitioner to examine the unexamined two witnesses, subject to payment of Rs.10,000/- as costs to be deposited by the petitioner with the Punjab and Haryana High Court Bar Association, which shall be utilized for construction/renovation of Women Bar Room, Punjab and Haryana High Court, Chandigarh. The learned trial Court is directed to allow the petitioner one last effective opportunity to examine the unexamined two witnesses on 04.08.2025.

31.07.2025

Gaurav Arora

(SUDEEPTI SHARMA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes
No