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

COCP-3563-2023

Date of decision: 29.09.2025

GURMEET SINGH**..Petitioner****Versus****NAVDEEP KAUR AND ANOTHER****..Respondents****CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE SUDEEPTI SHARMA**

Present: Mr. Amrik Singh, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Animesh Sharma, Addl. A.G, Punjab.

Mr. Vijay Kumar Chaudhary, Advocate
for respondent No.2.

SUDEEPTI SHARMA, J. (Oral)

1. The contempt petition has been filed for deliberate and intentional disobedience of order dated 18.01.2023 passed in CWP-17015-2022, which is reproduced as under:-

“1. After arguing for some time, the learned counsel for the petitioner seeks permission to withdraw the present petition.

2. Permission granted.

3. Consequently, the extant petition is dismissed as withdrawn. However, the Gram Panchayat concerned, is directed to forthwith draw a motion under the relevant statutory provisions before the learned Collector concerned, for removal of the encroachments, if any, as occur on the panchayat land.

4. On the above motion being preferred within two weeks from today, the same shall be decided within four months



thereafter, but only in accordance with law, and, after hearing all the affected persons concerned”

2. Learned State counsel contends that in compliance of order dated 18.01.2023, affidavit of Ms. Navdeep Kaur, District Development and Panchayat Officer, Ludhiana, District Ludhiana, Punjab, dated 22.01.2024 along with Annexure R-1/1 to Annexure R-1/5 has already been filed.

3. The relevant para of affidavit dated 22.01.2024 is reproduced as under:-

“4. That, in this regard, it is submitted that the Sarpanch of the Gram Panchayat, Sahibana, earlier filed an eviction petition dated 06.09.2018 under sections 4 and 5 of the Punjab Public Premises Act, for the eviction of the illegal occupants, including Harbans Kaur wife of Balwant Singh being represented by the petitioner as her power of attorney, in the instant writ petition. A true typed copy of the eviction petition dated 06.09.2018 is being annexed herewith as ANNEXURE R-1/1. The said eviction petition was allowed vide order dated 22.03.2019, wherein the direction was issued to get the demarcation of the land in dispute conducted and if anyone found in illegal occupation, then the said person be got evicted from the illegal occupation. A true translated copy of the order dated 22.03.2019 is being annexed herewith as ANNEXURE R-1/2T.

6. That accordingly, the demarcation was conducted and the demarcation report dated 07.11.2022 was submitted and the compliance report by way of affidavit was filed in the said writ petition. Thereafter, the said writ petition was disposed off, vide order dated 18.01.2023 (Annexure P-1). In compliance of the above order dated 18.01.2023, the warrant of possession order 03.02.2023 was issued by



the Court of Collector-cum-District Development and Panchayat Officer, Ludhiana, for eviction of the illegal occupants, wherein it is stated that the possession of the land in dispute be handed over to the Gram Panchayat and report be send. In case any stay order is produced in this regard, the same be implemented. A true translated copy of the warrant of possession order dated 03.02.2023 is being annexed herewith as ANNEXURE R-1/3/T.

7. That after issuance of warrant of possession dated 03.02.2023 (Annexure R-1/1) and in compliance to the order dated 18.01.2023 (Annexure P-1), the answering respondent issued letter dated 15.05.2023, where in it is stated that in compliance to the order dated 18.01.2023, passed by this Hon'ble Court in CWP No. 17015 of 2022, the possession of the land in dispute be handed over to the Gram Panchayat. A true translated copy of the letter dated 15.05.2023 is being annexed herewith as ANNEXURE R- 1/4T and its true copy as ANNEXURE R-1/4.

9. That in the said writ petition CWP 13571 of 2023, on 9.06.2023, during the course of hearing, the Hon'ble Court passed the following order:

"Counsel for the petitioner inter alia submits that under the garb of the observations made by the Division Bench of this Court in the order dated 18th of January, 2023 passed in CWP No. 17015 of 2022 titled as 'Gurmeet Singh vs. State of Punjab and others', impugned order (Annexure P-9) has been passed and the petitioner is being threatened with dispossession without following any procedure as contemplated under law.

Issue notice of motion returnable for 08.08.2023.



In the meantime, possession of the petitioner shall not be disturbed."

A true typed copy of the order dated 19.06.2023 is being annexed herewith as ANNEXURE R-1/5. Now, the said writ petition is fixed for hearing on 05.02.2024."

4. A perusal of affidavit dated 18.01.2023 shows that order dated 18.01.2023 passed in CWP-17015-2022, has been complied with. This fact is not disputed by learned counsel for the petitioner.

5. In view of the above, contempt is purged and rule is discharged.

September 29th, 2025

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**(SUDEEPTI SHARMA)
JUDGE**

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