



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

CWP-9721-2025

Date of Decision : **24.04.2025**

LAKHWANT SINGH DHALIWALPetitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERSRespondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDEEP TIWARI

Present : Mr. M.S.Batth, Advocate and
Mr. S.S.Gill, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr.Pardeep Bajaj, DAG, Punjab.

KULDEEP TIWARI, J.(Oral)

1. Through the instant writ petition filed under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India, a prayer is made for issuance of a *mandamus* upon respondents no.1 and 2, to consider the letter dated 19.03.2024, 03.08.2024 and 05.02.2025 (Annexures P-5, P-6, and P-7 respectively), as sent by respondent no.4, to respondent no.2, for granting sanction to prosecute private individual, under Section 197 of the Cr.P.C in case FIR No.116, dated 16.12.2023 under Sections 420, 465, 467, 478, 471 and 120-B of the IPC, registered at P.S.Sudhar, District Ludhiana (Annexure P-3).

2. The grievance, which encapsulated in the instant petition is that the authority concerned, is sitting over the matter in dispute, and are not deciding the letters/applications/representations (*supra*).

3. This Court vide order dated 05.04.2025, had passed the hereinafter extracted order:-

“At this stage, without issuing notice to the respondents, in the instant petition, learned State counsel is directed to have an apt instruction from respondent no.2-Director, Department of Rural Development & Panchayats, and to inform this Court that how much time is required to take a final decision on Annexures P-5 to P-7.

Adjourned to 24.04.2025 ”

4. In deference to the directions (*supra*), today, learned State counsel, on instructions imparted to him by Mr.Suvinder Singh, Sr.Assisstant, RD-3, Branch, Department of Rural Development and Panchayat, informs this Court that an apt decision on the letters/applications/representations (*supra*), will be taken, within a period of three months from today.

5. In view of the above specific stand taken by learned State Counsel, this Court is of the considered view that no further direction is required to be passed, in the instant matter. Consequently, the instant petition is **closed**.

6. In case, after passing three months from today, if, the petitioner is still left with any grievance with regard to non-deciding letters/applications/representations (*supra*), he may get the instant petition revived by filing an apt motion.

7. **Disposed of** accordingly.

(KULDEEP TIWARI)

JUDGE

April 24, 2025

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