



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

CWP-2635-2025
Date of Decision : 19.02.2025

GURDIT SINGH AND OTHERS

.....Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDEEP TIWARI

Present: Mr. Harbans Lal Sharma, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Sahil R. Bakshi, AAG, 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 the respondents to hold elections of the Managing Committee of the Bargari Multipurpose Co-operative Agricultural Service Society Ltd., Bargari, Tehsil Jaito, District Faridkot, from the stage where it was left on dated 21.08.2023, on orders of the Assistant Registrar, Jaito.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that only on some flimsy grounds, that the police force is not available, the election cannot be conducted, but now the date of elections of the society concerned, is fixed, i.e. from 03.03.2025 to 05.03.2025.

3. He further submits that the elections of the society concerned, has not been held, since the last six years, therefore, he has apprehension that the elections, as fixed, might not be conducted in a fair manner.

4. To dispel the apprehension of the present petitioner, this Court deems it fit and appropriate, to pass a *mandamus* upon the competent authority amongst the respondents, to make a videography of the entire elections process, and the recorded videography shall be preserved for the next one year, from the date of elections. The cost of the videography shall be borne by the petitioner himself.

5. The Deputy Commissioner, Faridkot, and SSP, Faridkot, are directed to deploy an adequate police force, for the smooth conduct of elections during the aforesaid period. In case, any dereliction on the part of the aforesaid officials, in making compliance of this order, occurs, this Court would be forced to take strict action against them.

6. **Disposed of** accordingly.

February 19, 2025

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(KULDEEP TIWARI)

JUDGE

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