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HC turns down state plea for recall of order in BBMB case

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CHANDIGARH, JUNE 7

The Punjab and Haryana High Court has dismissed the state's plea seeking the recall or modification of its May 6 order in the Bhakra Beas Management Board (BBMB) case.

Among other things, the court in the order had directed the state to abide by a decision taken on May 2 during a meeting chaired by the Union home secretary.

Punjab's stand in the matter was that the Bench was given the impression that the release of 4,500 cusecs of extra water to Haryana over a period of eight days was decided during the meeting.

Punjab said that was not the case and the meeting had dealt with law and order issues, and had no bearing on water allotment.

Alleging concealment of material facts by BBMB while seeking recalling of the order, Punjab had argued during the course of the hearing that the letter, dated April 29, by Haryana requesting the chairman to refer the matter to Central Government under Rule 7 of BBMB Rules was not brought to the court's notice.

Rule 7 says any disagreement involving policy or inter-state rights must be referred to the Centre for a binding decision.

The state had added that the BBMB chairman was rendered "functus officio" to adjudicate the issue once Haryana's letter was forwarded to the Centre. It was then for the Centre to decide the issue in accordance with Rule 7.

Analysing the provision, the Bench held that a valid reference to the Central Government arose only in case of clear difference in opinion among the members regarding policy or the rights of any of the participating states.

A similar power to represent to the Centre through the chairman was given to each of the member states "who chooses to dissent".

The dispute was then required to be decided by the Union Government.

The Bench observed that Haryana was aggrieved by the non-execution of a resolution in meeting dated April 28, especially regarding the release of 8,500 cusecs of water to it.

"In essence, the letter dated April 29 does not raise any dispute or difference of opinion of State of Haryana, but merely seeks implementation of the resolution dated April 28 of BBMB's technical committee. As such this letter dated April 29 of state of Haryana cannot be treated as a reference to the Central Government," the Bench asserted.

The court added that the BBMB was free to act in accordance with law as the April 29 letter was not a reference to Centre.

The Bench added petitions were filed challenging Punjab's deployment of the police at Bhakra-Nangal Dam and related water regulation offices, and on the issue of releasing 8,500 cusecs of water through the Bhakra Canal. The matter was disposed of on May 6 in view of an emergent situation.

"Any delay in resolving the dispute would have caused irreparable damage to millions of residents of different States, including Haryana, Rajasthan and Delhi... As such, there was neither any occasion nor need to deal with elaborate contentions of the rival parties," it said.

Before parting with the case, the Bench asserted Punjab could make a reference to the Central Government under Rule 7, if it chose to.

Plan afoot to develop Ph-3 of Jalandhar Urban Estate

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JALANDHAR, JUNE 7

The state government is set to develop Urban Estate Phase-3 near Jalandhar Cantonment for which it will roll out a 1000-acre land pooling scheme.

Officials of the Jalandhar Development Authority (JDA) have already finalised a plan in this regard. The government will get land pooled from six villages, including Kukkad Pind, Rehmanpur, Alipur, Nangal Karar Khan, Kotla Kalan and Kotla Khurd. Reports about the project have led to concerns among residents of these villages as they are unsure if the scheme would benefit them in any way.

The SDM, Jalandhar-1, who shall be the land acquisition officer, has been asked to start checking the records of the six villages, hold meetings with the patwaris and finalise a draft notification for the purpose. "Soon, the officials will hold meetings with farmers to discuss the land pooling scheme and build a consensus that it will be in their favour. Once the initial ground work is done, the SDM will issue a notification," said a JDA official.

The area near Jalandhar Cantonment where the Urban Estate Phase 3 will be launched. PHOTO: SARABJIT SINGH

Jalandhar Cantonment MLA Pargat Singh said, "I have got several calls from my constituents asking me about the nitty-gritties of the scheme. I need to sit down with some officials and study the plan."

Under the land pooling policy applicable to Mohali, for every acre given for land bank, the farmer/owner would get a 1,000 sq yard residential plot and a commercial site of 200 sq yards in residential sector.

Jalandhar already has two Urban Estates. The second one came about 25 years ago. The planning for Phase 3 was earlier done during the SAD-BJP regime. A master plan too had been finalised then for areas between Paragpur and Pholariwal towards the Nakodar Road side but it could not materialise due to a poor response of farmers.

Three more held in Ferozepur shooting case

OUR CORRESPONDENT

FEROZEPUR, JUNE 7

Three persons were arrested after a brief exchange of fire for their involvement in the intra-gang shooting incident, killing a youth, Ashu Monga.

Harmanbir Singh Gill, DIG, Ferozepur Range, said following inputs, the Punjab Police and sleuths of the Counter Intelligence laid a naka near Ratta Khera village in the Ghall Khurd block. "The suspects, Amarjeet, Sonu and Gurjinder Singh, alias Guri, opened fire at the police in a bid to flee. The suspects were injured as cops returned fire and were subsequently nabbed," he said.

He said four pistols and the scooty used in the crime had been recovered from them.

SSP Bhupinder Singh said the incident was a fallout of differences between Amarjit and Ashu Monga. Yesterday, the police had nabbed Angrej Singh and Joginder Singh, in the case. The police ad booked seven persons in the FIR, while six, including Ashu Monga , were booked in the cross FIR.

BRIEFLY

Village sarpanch's son dies due to 'drug overdose'

Fazilka: A son of a village sarpanch here died allegedly due to drug overdose. The incident took place at Islamwala village in Jalalabad subdivision. The deceased was identified as Rupinder Singh (24). The police have arrested Balraj Singh, who allegedly gave the drug to Rupinder. OC

Ferozepur resident arrested with 270 gm heroin

Abohar: The Sriganganagar police on Saturday arrested a man with 270 gm of heroin, according to officials. The accused was identified as Dharampal Dharma, a resident of Ferozepur. OC

Moga village shows the way, offers ₹11K to families of reformed addicts

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MOGA, JUNE 7

A Moga village has launched an initiative to award Rs 11,000 to the families whose members shun drugs and alcohol, the first such announcement by any panchayat in the state.

Ransih Kalan village panchayat in Nihal Singh Wala subdivision also announced a monthly stipend of Rs 1,100 for a year to those undergoing treatment at de-addiction centres.

On Saturday, 30 families were given Rs 11,000 each.

Moga Deputy Commissioner Sagar Setia lauded the move.

"The village panchayat is very progressive and has taken a commendable initiative. Appreciation certificates were also presented to these families," he told *The Tribune*.

"The village panchayat has also announced a monthly nutrition allowance of Rs 1,100 for a year to each person undergoing de-addiction treatment," he added.

The Deputy Commissioner appealed to other panchayats to draw inspiration from it and work towards making their villages drug-free.

DC Sagar Setia honours the families whose members have shunned drugs at Ransih Kalan village in Moga.

Meanwhile, sarpanch Mintu said apart from it, their village had launched an initiative in 2019 to make the area plastic-free.

The initiative was started under the "Ransinh Kalan Banuga Punjab di Shaan" campaign.

"Under this campaign, any village resident who collects and submits plastic waste is rewarded with an equivalent amount of sugar," he said.

He said as part of the "Plant Trees, Save Environment and Earn Money" campaign, village residents were given fruit and flower bearing saplings, along with cash incentive, to encourage environmental conservation.

Additionally, those who read books are also rewarded with money, promoting education and learning.

He claimed that Ransih Kalan was a model village where even sewage water was being treated and reused for agricultural purposes, ensuring sustainability and efficient resource management.

30 FAMILIES HONOURED TODAY

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Ensure legal framework for protection of urban trees in 6 mths: NGT to Chief Secy

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JALANDHAR, JUNE 7

The Principal Bench of the National Green Tribunal (NGT) has ordered Punjab Chief Secretary KAP Sinha to frame proper laws for the protection of urban trees in the state.

Taking a serious note of the lack of legislation and punitive action regarding tree felling in the state, the NGT, in its last hearing on May 29, had ordered an action taken report on the issue within six months (before the next date of hearing on October 8, 2025). The Chief Secretary sought six months for the same.

The Tribune had highlighted the felling of trees at the Post and Telecom Residential Colony in Jalandhar in a report titled "After Civil Hospital, now trees axed at P&T Colony" in October last year.

The order was issued during the hearing on a petition filed by Jalandhar based environmental activist Tejaswi Minhas, against the felling of 13 green standing trees at the colony near Shastri Chowk. During the hearing, the matter of the legislative framework existing in the state for protecting the trees came up.

Following concerns raised by Minhas regarding urban tree cover and policy in the state, the tribunal directed the Chief Secretary on May 29 "to look into these and ensure appropriate protective, punitive and remedial action" and directed the state (government) to "file further progress/action-taken report before October 8".

Issues raised by Minhas included no clear provision on where to make complaints regarding tree felling under the Tree Preservation Policy for Non-Forest Government and Public Land, 2024; no urban tree census; tree felling violators going free in urban areas, etc.

Notably, the tribunal, during proceedings on May 27 also noted the gap in the state tree preservation policy and that it does not cover trees standing on private land. It hence directed the state authorities to clarify the legal framework existing in Punjab to regulate illegal felling of trees on non-forest land.

The Chief Secretary was also directed to appear virtually before the tribunal on May 29 to disclose as to "why no steps have been taken till now to have a framework to protect trees in non-forest land in state".

7 yrs on, Jalandhar Diocese gets regular Bishop

Sebastian replaces Mulakkal, who was relieved of duties after his arrest in 2018

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JALANDHAR, JUNE 7

After nearly seven years, the Diocese of Jalandhar has got its new regular Bishop — Father Jose Sebastian Thekkumcherikunnel (63).

The previous regular Bishop, Franco Mulakkal, was relieved of his duties following his arrest by the Kerala police in September 2018 in connection with the nun rape case. Bishop Agnelo Gracias subsequently served here as the Apostolic Administrator.

Jose Sebastian's name was announced by Pope Leo XIV on Saturday afternoon. This was later communicated to the community here by Bishop Gracias. Jose Sebastian will be the fourth regular Bishop of the Diocese.

Since the new Bishop was already serving as the financial administrator of the Diocese in Jalandhar and had been performing parish duties in Punjab (mostly in Jalandhar, Amritsar and Gurdaspur) since 1991, he is already well versed with the functioning of the Catholic churches and institutions being run by it in the state.

Father Jose Sebastian Thekkumcherikunnel

Bishop Agnelo said he was planning to work out the date for Episcopal Ordination, which would be clear after Monday meeting with the Diocesean Consultors.

Meanwhile, most Christian bodies in Punjab have welcomed the appointment of Bishop Jose. Christian activist Tarsem Peter said, "It will be easier to work with him for he can speak, read and even write Punjabi. So, we can directly interact with him without any trouble. The best part is that he knows the Punjabi culture well and understands all community and religio-political issues in the state well."

The Catholic community had been somewhat upset because of the slowdown since 2018. This slowdown had given a huge chance to several Pentecostal churches to emerge and proliferate, especially since the pastors of these churches perform prayers in Punjabi and have been spending huge money on their fanciful events and exhibition of powers for miracle healing via social media.

The new Bishop is unlikely to interfere in their working. He, however, maintained, "It will take me just a month to resettle for my new position that comes with a lot of responsibility."

The Jalandhar Diocese covers 18 districts in Punjab and parts of Himachal Pradesh. There are about 150 parishes and over 1,000 priests and sisters associated with it.

Though Father Jose was born in Kalaketty, under the Diocese of Palai, he had got ordained as the priest under Diocese of Jalandhar 34 years ago. He was currently also working as the Parish Priest of St Joseph's Church in Phagwara and Director of St Joseph's Convent School there. From 2020-22, he had served as Rector and Parish Priest of St. Mary's Cathedral in Jalandhar Cantonment.

हरियाणा शहरी विकास प्राधिकरण, बहादुरगढ़

सार्वजनिक सूचना

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नरेश कुमार पुत्र श्री राम रिकार्ड के अनुसार उपरोक्त प्रोपर्टी के 100% भाग के मालिक है जिनकी मृत्यु दिनांक 01.01.2017 को हो चुकी है ।और उनके द्वारा कोई रजिस्ट्रड या अनरजिस्ट्रड वसीयत नहीं दी गई है। नरोज बाला पत्नी स्व0 श्री नरेश कुमार निवासी निवर छारा चुंगी, सीता राम गेट, झज्जर, हरियाणा ने उपरोक्त प्रोपर्टी की मलकियत बदलवाने हेतू आवेदन किया है।

यदि इस विषय में किसी व्यक्ति को कोई ऐतराज है तो सूचना प्रकाशन के 30 दिन के भीतर सम्पदा कार्यालय हशविप्रा, बहादुरगढ़ को लिखित रूप से संपर्क करें। अन्यथा यह प्लाट की मलकियत हशविप्रा पॉलिसी के अनुसार तबदील कर दी जायेगी।

वारिसान

Stop screening of documentary on Moosewala: Father to Mumbai cops

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

MUKTSAR/MANSA, JUNE 7

Slain Punjabi singer Sidhu Moosewala's father Balkaur Singh has urged the Mumbai police to stop the screening of a documentary based on his son's life and death.

The event is slated to be held on June 11 at Soho House in Juhu, Mumbai.

In formal complaints to the Maharashtra Director General of Police and the SHO of the Juhu police station, Balkaur Singh alleged that the documentary contained unauthorised, sensitive and unpublished material, including personal testimonies and a commentary on an ongoing criminal case.

He said its screening could incite public unrest, interfere with investigations into Moosewala's murder and violate the family's legal rights, including privacy and posthumous dignity.

The release date coincides with the birth anniversary of Moosewala, who was born on June 11, 1993.

It is learnt that Moosewala's family is set to release an extended play and some songs on his birth anniversary.

Court extends YouTuber Jasbir's remand by 2 days

MOHALI, JUNE 7

A Mohali court on Saturday extended by two days the police remand of YouTuber Jasbir Singh, arrested on espionage charge.

Jasbir, accused of spying for Pakistan's ISI, was produced in the court amidst tight security and media gaze after his three-day remand ended.

The police had sought that his remand be extended by seven days, which rejected by the court.

Defence counsel Mohit Uppal told reporters that the police sought extension in remand to recover his laptop and take him to Kashmir for further investigation.

The police were implicating him in a false case as they wanted to take credit for arresting a spy before the Haryana Police, he claimed.

The defence counsel also refuted Jasbir's association with a woman friend who had reportedly accompanied him to the Pakistan embassy in Delhi and later to Pakistan thrice.

According to the police, Jasbir Singh, who runs YouTube channel "Jaan Mahal", having over 11 lakh subscribers, was allegedly associated with Pakistani intelligence operative (PIO) Shakir, alias Jutt Randhawa, as part of a terror-backed espionage network. — TNS

33 pigeon race events halted as PETA steps in

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CHANDIGARH, JUNE 7

The People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) India, in coordination with senior police officials, has managed to get stopped 33 illegal pigeon race (kabutarbaazi) events in 20 districts of Punjab, Haryana and Chandigarh.

Three events were halted this week in Fatehgarh Sahib, Ludhiana and Sangrur.

In its complaint, PETA India pointed out that according to a December 2020 letter sent to the Chief Secretary of Punjab, the Animal Welfare Board of India (AWBI) had opined that essentially all animal races, including kabutarbaazi, were prohibited under the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (PCA) Act, 1960, and had declared similar events illegal. The letter warned that conducting such spectacles amounted to contempt of court and urged the withdrawal of any permissions or directions for such activities to ensure compliance with the law.

Additionally, such events violated multiple provisions of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, and the PCA Act, 1960, which prohibited inflicting unnecessary suffering on animals.

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APPENDIX -IV-A - E-AUCTION-PUBLIC SALE NOTICE of IMMOVABLE PROPERTY/IES

E-AUCTION-SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVEABLE ASSETS UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002 READ WITH PROVISO TO RULE 8 (6) OF THE SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES, 2002)

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Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the borrower(s) & guarantor(s) indicated in Column no-A that the below described immovable property (ies) described in Column no-D mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/Physical Possession of which has been taken (as described in Column no-C) by the authorized Officer of **M/s PNB Housing Finance Limited**/Secured Creditor, will be sold on "**AS IS WHERE IS, AS IS WHAT IS and WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS**" as per the details mentioned below. Notice is hereby given to borrower(s)/mortgagor(s)/Legal Heirs, Legal Representative, (whether Known or Unknown), executor(s), administrator(s), successor(s), assignee(s) of the respective borrowers/ mortgagor(s)(since deceased) as the case may be indicated in Column no-A under Rule-8(6) & 9 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002 amended as on date. For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in **M/s PNB Housing Finance Limited/secured creditor's website i.e. www.pnbhousing.com.**

Loan No. Name of the Borrower/ Co- Borrower/Guarantor/Legal heirs(A)	Demanded Amount & Date (B)	Nature of possession (C)	Description of the Properties mortgaged (D)	Reserve Price (RP) (E)	EMD (10% of RP) (F)	Last Date of Submission of Bid (G)	Bid Incremental Rate (H)	Inspection Date & Time (I)	Date of Auction & Time (J)	Known Encumbrances/Court Case if any (K)
HOU/KAR/1122/1050991 PARDEEP KUMAR SIDHAR Mr. Udit Sidhar S/O Pardeep Kumar (Co-Borrower)and Mrs. Poonam Rani W/O Pradeep Kumar (Co-Borrower) B.O.: KARNAL	Rs. 41,77,499/- (Rupees Forty One Lakh Seventy Seven Thousand Four Hundred Ninety Nine Only) due as on 18-03-2024	Physical	H.No. 463/6 Southern Part , Plot No 53, Property Id No. 1J1NYTH8, Measuring 84 Sq. Yards Situated At Old Mahabir Colony, Purkhas Road, Near Hanuman Mandir, Within Mc Limits, Sonipat, Regd. Via Sale Deed No. 10512 Dated 10.01.2023 In Favour Of Poonam Rani W/O Pradeep Kumar. Boundaries: East: House of Dinesh Sharma West: House of Manohar Lal Dhingra South: Street North: House of Dayawati	RS. 32,24,000	RS. 3,22,400	23-06-25	RS. 10,000	12-06-2025, 10.00 am- 5.30 pm	24-06-2025, 02:00 am- 03:00PM	Not Known

***Together with the further interest @18% p.a. as applicable, incidental expenses, cost, charges etc. incurred upto the date of payment and/or realization thereof. ** To the best knowledge and information of the authorized Officer of PNB Housing Finance Limited, there are no other encumbrances/ claims in respect of above mentioned immovable/secured assets except what is disclosed in the Column No.-K. Further such encumbrances to be catered/paid by the successful purchaser/bidder at his/her end. The prospective purchaser(s)/bidders are requested to independently ascertain the veracity of the mentioned encumbrances. (1.)** As on date, there is no order restraining and/or court injunction PNBHFL/the authorized Officer of PNBHFL from selling, alienating and/or disposing of the above immovable properties/secured assets and status is mentioned in column no-K **(2.)** The prospective purchaser/bidder and interested parties may independently take the inspection of the pleading in the proceedings/orders passed etc. if any, stated in column no-K. Including but not limited to the title of the documents of the title pertaining thereto available with the PNBHFL and satisfy themselves in all respects prior to submitting tender/bid application form or making Offer(s). The bidder(s) has to sign the terms and conditions of this auction along with the Bid Form. **(3.)** Please note that in terms of Rule 9(3) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, the bidder(s)/the purchaser is legally bound to deposit 25% of the amount of sale price, (inclusive of earnest money) on the same day or not later than next working day. The sale may be confirmed in favour of (bidder(s) only after receipt of 25% of the sale price by the secured creditor in accordance with Rule 9(2) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. The remaining 75% of the s sale consideration amount has to be deposited by the purchaser within 15 days from the date of acknowledgement of sale confirmation letter and in default of such deposit, the authorized officer shall forfeit the part payment of sale consideration amount within 15 days from the date of expiry of mandatory period of 15 days mentioned in the sale confirmation letter and the property/secured asset shall be resold as per the provisions of Sarfaesi Act. **(4.) M/s C1 India Private Limited would be assisting the Authorised officer in conducting sale through an e-Auction having its Corporate office at Plot No. 68, 3rd Floor, Sector 44, Gurgaon, Haryana 122003 Website -www.bankeauctions.com For any assistance related to inspection of the property or obtaining the Bid Documents and for any other query or for registration, you have to co-ordinate with Rahul Dua Toll Free No. - 1800 120 8800, E-Mail: auction@pnbhousing.com, is authorised Person of PNBHFL or refer to www.pnbhousing.com.**

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