



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

**CWP-1237-2022
Date of Decision :22.04.2026**

**THE MULLANA PRIMARY AGRICULTURE COOPERATIVE
SOCIETY LTD MULLANA**

.....Petitioners

VERSUS

**STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION HARYANA AND
OTHERS**

.....Respondents

CWP-13448-2015

**HARYANA STATE COOPERATIVE AGRICULTURE AND
RURAL DEVELOPMENT BANK LTD.**

.....Petitioners

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CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDEEP TIWARI

Present : Mr. Rajeev Sharma, Advocate and
Ms. Sony, Advocate,
for the petitioner in CWP-1237-2022

Mr. Naman Jain, Advocate and
Ms. Aneesha Sharma, Advocate,
for the petitioner in CWP-13448-2015

Mr. Harinder Malik, Advocate,
for respondent no.3 in CWP-1237-2022

Mr. Bhupender Singh, Addl.AG, Haryana.



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1. Since a common issue arises for consideration in both the petitions, therefore, being amenable for common decision, same are taken up together. For the sake of brevity, the facts are being taken from CWP-1237-2022.

2. Through the instant petition, filed under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India, the petitioner-co-operative society, has mainly challenged the validity of the order dated 16.11.2021 (Annexure P-5) passed by the State Information Commission (Respondent no.1), on the ground that it is not amenable to the jurisdiction of the State Information Commission.

3. Learned counsel for petitioner in CWP-13448-2015, submits that in view of the verdict dated 06.12.2023, passed in a bunch of petitions, i.e. CWP-10529-2015, wherethrough, the State Information Commission, has constituted a full bench to consider the issue, as to whether, the co-operative like institutions are amenable to the jurisdiction of the State Information Commission or not?

4. He further placed reliance upon an order dated 05.05.2025, passed by a co-ordinate bench of this Court in CWP-8692-2025, wherethrough, a similar matter was remanded back to the State Information Commission, to look into the grievance of the petitioner-society, as well as regarding the issue of amenability of the petitioner-society to the jurisdiction of the Information Commission.



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5. Learned counsel for the petitioner-society in CWP-1237-2022, does not dispute the aforesaid fact, rather, showed his agreement with the aforesaid contention, and submits that, he has no objection in case the instant petitions, are remanded back to the State Information Commission, for decision afresh by the full bench.

6. In view of the above, the matter is **remanded** back to the State Information Commission, to look into the grievance of the petitioner-society, and to pass an appropriate order. In addition, the State Information Commission, shall also decide the issue of amenability of the petitioner-society to their jurisdiction or not?.

7. Until the aforesaid issue is decided, no coercive action shall be taken against the petitioner-society for implementing the impugned orders.

8. **Disposed of** accordingly.

9. All pending application(s), if any, stand **disposed** of accordingly.

A photocopy of this order be placed on the file of the connected case.

April 22, 2026
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(KULDEEP TIWARI)
JUDGE

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