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

CR-2261-2026 (O&M)

Date of Decision:13.05.2026

NIRMAL SINGH

...Petitioner

Versus

NASEEB SINGH AND ANOTHER

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PARMOD GOYAL

Present: Mr. Karandeep S. Dargan, Advocate and
Mr. Harmanbir S. Sandhu, Advocate
for the petitioner.

PARMOD GOYAL, J. (ORAL)

Present revision petition has been preferred under Article 227 of the Constitution of India by petitioner-plaintiff being aggrieved by impugned order dated 29.01.2026 (Annexure P-4) passed by learned Additional Civil Judge (Senior Division), Malout in Civil Suit No.198 of 2023 whereby, petitioner-plaintiff's evidence was closed on the ground that petitioner-plaintiff has failed to conclude his evidence, despite availing sufficient opportunities.

2. Facts in the present case are not in dispute. Issues were framed on 15.02.2026, thereafter, matter is pending since 27.03.2025 for evidence of petitioner-plaintiff. Effective opportunities to lead evidence were granted to the petitioner-plaintiff on various dates i.e. 01.05.2025, 09.07.2025, 24.07.2025, 27.08.2025, 18.09.2025, 25.09.2025, 09.10.2025, 17.11.2025, 02.12.2025, 22.01.2026, 29.01.2026, except for 24.10.2025 and 05.01.2026 when the Presiding Officer was on leave. Petitioner-plaintiff had duly

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appeared as own witness on 25.09.2025. However, his examination-in-chief as well as cross-examination was deferred. Thereafter, he had also come present on 09.10.2025 when his cross-examination was deferred but had not appeared on 17.09.2025 and 29.01.2026.

3. From the perusal of proceedings before the learned Court of First Instance, it is clearly made out that present situation has arisen only on account of conduct of petitioner-plaintiff who failed to be vigilant. However, since respondents-defendants can be compensated with costs. In the interest of justice, I feel it appropriate to grant one opportunity to conclude petitioner-plaintiff's evidence. Accordingly, petitioner-plaintiff is directed to conclude entire evidence on next date of hearing i.e. on 19.05.2026, subject to costs of Rs.50,000/-. Out of which Rs.25,000/- to be paid to the respondents-defendants and Rs.25,000/- to be paid to District Legal Services Authority, Sri Muktsar Sahib. It is made clear that no adjournment shall be granted on the request of petitioner-plaintiff. Summoned witnesses if any be served by taking dasti notices.

4. Revision petition is disposed of in above terms.

5. Pending application(s), if any, is/are disposed of accordingly.

13.05.2026
Ravinder

(PARMOD GOYAL)
JUDGE

Whether Speaking/Reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No