

ITEM NO.17

COURT NO.6

SECTION IVB

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (Civil)...../2011

(CC 17399-17406/2011)

(From the judgement and order(s) in 18/01/2011 in RFA No.2546/2004,
RFA No.2547/2004, RFA No.2548/2004, RFA No.2549/2004, RFA
No.230/2005, RFA No.423/2005, RFA No.424/2005, RFA No.1835/2007 of
The HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH)

STATE OF HARYANA & ORS.

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

BALWANT SINGH & ORS.ETC.

Respondent(s)

With I.A.1-8 (C/delay in filing SLP and office report)

Date: 04/11/2011 These Petitions were called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE G.S. SINGHVI

HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE RANJANA PRAKASH DESAI

For Petitioner(s) Ms. Pragati Neekhra, Adv.

For Respondent(s)

UPON hearing counsel the Court made the following

O R D E R

Delay condoned.

These petitions are directed against the judgment of the
learned Single Judge of the Punjab and Haryana High Court whereby
the compensation determined by the Reference Court in lieu of the
acquisition of the respondents' land was enhanced from Rs.3 lacs
per acre to Rs.15 lacs per acre. The petitioners have also filed
an application for condonation of 103 days' delay.

We have heard Ms. Pragati Neekhra, learned counsel for the
petitioners and perused the record.

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In our view, the explanation given by the petitioners for
delayed filing of the special leave petitions is satisfactory.
Hence, the delay in filing the special leave petitions is condoned.

However, we are convinced that the impugned order does
not suffer from any legal infirmity warranting interference under
Article 136 of the Constitution. The learned Single Judge has
assigned cogent reasons for enhancing the compensation determined

by the Reference Court. It is not in dispute that land of the respondents is in the vicinity of land acquired vide notification dated 23.5.2002 for New Grain Market at Indri. In respect of that land, the High Court enhanced the compensation from Rs.4,00,000/- to Rs.21,50,000/- per acre. Therefore, the enhancement granted in favour of the respondents cannot be considered to be excessive.

With the above observations, the special leave petitions are dismissed.

(Satish K.Yadav)
Court Master

(Phoolan Wati Arora)
Court Master