

Supreme Court of India

State Of Punjab vs Pritam Singh Etc. Etc on 30 August, 1995

Equivalent citations: 1995 SCC, Supl. (3) 540 1995 SCALE (5)194

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Bench: Ramaswamy, K.

PETITIONER:

STATE OF PUNJAB

Vs.

RESPONDENT:

PRITAM SINGH ETC. ETC.

DATE OF JUDGMENT 30/08/1995

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HANSARIA B.L. (J)

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ACT:

HEADNOTE:

JUDGMENT:

**O R D E R** Having seen the details of the facts and circumstances in these appeals we do not think that there is any substance for interference.

A notification under s.4(1) of the Land Acquisition Act was published acquiring 25 acres and odd for public purpose, namely, for establishment of grain market. The Land Acquisition Collector in his award dated February 18, 1972 awarded compensation at varying rates between Rs.40,000/- to Rs.10,000/- per acre. On reference, the Additional District Judge, in his award and decree dated May 3, 1976, enhanced compensation varying between Rs.90,000/- and Rs.30,000/- per acre. On appeal, the High Court awarded on flat rate of Rs.70,220/- per acre. Being dissatisfied with it, these appeals have been filed.

We have seen the judgment of the High Court. Practically, for large extent of land enhancement made by the Additional District Judge was reduced from Rs.90,000/-, Rs.85,000/-, Rs.80,000/- and Rs.75,000/- per acre to Rs.70,220/- per acre. The only question is of the lands for which

Rs.65,000/- and Rs.35,000/- were awarded, which were enhanced to Rs.70,220/-. As to the first part, namely, compensation of Rs.65,000/- per acre which was enhanced to Rs.70,000/-, there is not much of difference. Though we find there is substantial difference for the second category, there is no material on record showing detail of lands covered by this part of the order. So, it is difficult for this Court to decide whether interference with this part of the order of the High Court is called for.

Under these circumstances, the appeals are dismissed but without costs..1s1