

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT  
CHANDIGARH

CWP No.7251 of 2012 (O&M)  
Date of Decision 25.9.2012

Parbodh Chander Bali

--Petitioner

Vs.

The Chief Secretary to Government of Punjab and others

--Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE A.K.SIKRI, CHIEF JUSTICE  
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAKESH KUMAR JAIN, JUDGE**

Present: Mr.P.C.Bali, petitioner in person

Mr.J.S.Puri, Addl.A.G.Punjab.

Mr.M.S.Gujral, Advocate, for respondent No.3.

**A.K.SIKRI, CJ: (Oral)**

Short grievance of the petitioner in this petition filed as Public Interest Litigation is that the provisions of Punjab Municipal Corporation Act, 1976 ( for short, 'the Act'), particularly Sections 55 to 70 thereof, have not been followed by Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

When this matter came up for hearing on 09.7.2012, this Court had directed the Municipal Commissioner, Amritsar, to file reply on merit, which was reiterated on 10.9.2012 and to specifically state as to whether there was compliance of the aforesaid provisions of the Act.

In response, today affidavit of Mr.Suresh Kumar, Principal Secretary to Government of Punjab, Department of Local Government, Chandigarh, has been filed. This affidavit refers to the order dated 10.9.2012 and it is mentioned that in compliance with the said order, directions have already been issued to all the Commissioners of Municipal Corporations, the Director, Local Government of Punjab and the Regional Deputy Directors of Urban Local Bodies in the State to comply with the corresponding provisions of Sections 25 to 31 of the Punjab Municipal Act,1911, in respect of the Municipal Councils/ Nagar Panchayats in letter and spirit.

Having regard to the directions issued by the State Government, the purpose for which this petition is filed, has been served. In case, any of the provisions are not followed, it will be open to the petitioner to approach this Court again.

This petition is disposed of accordingly.

**(A.K.SIKRI)**  
**CHIEFJUSTICE**

**September 25,2012**  
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**(RAKESH KUMAR JAIN )**  
**JUDGE**