



**HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE FOR RAJASTHAN AT
JODHPUR**

D.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 12869/2022

Pratap Singh Shekhawat S/o Karni Singh Shekhawat, Aged About 42 Years, R/o H. No. 175, Gali No. 03, Gangour Nagar, Ward No. 29, Tehsil And District Sriganganagar (Aadhar No. 2121-2679-0537).

----Petitioner

Versus

1. State of Rajasthan through Secretary, Department Of Home, Government of Rajasthan, Jaipur.
2. District Collector, Sriganganagar.
3. Tehsildar Sriganganagar, Tehsil And District Sriganganagar.
4. Sumandeep S/o Amardeep Singh, By Caste Christian Resident Of 3 Church Lain, Gurunank Basti, Sriganganagar.
5. Maseeh Sena, Sriganganagar, Through Its Bishap Amardeep, Address Babadeep Singh Colony Ward No. 43, Near Dadimati Bed College, Sriganganagar.
6. Chamatkar Church Of Zesus Gurunank Basti, Sriganganagar Through Its Bishap Amardeep, Address 3 Church Lain, Gurunank Basti, Sr Ganganagar.
7. Rajasthan Christian Council, Through Its President, Address 3 Church Lain, Gurunank Basti, Sriganganagar.

----Respondents

For Petitioner(s) : Mr. Moti Singh.
For Respondent(s) : Mr. N.S. Rajpurohit, AAG.
Mr. Vijay Aggarwal.
Mr. Himmat Jagga.
Mr. Deepank Chandak for
Mr. B.L. Bhati, AAG.
Ms. Aditi Sharma.
Mr. Ayush Gehlot for
Mr. Rajesh Panwar, AAG.
Ms. Tanya Chugh.

HON'BLE DR. JUSTICE PUSHPENDRA SINGH BHATI

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJEET PUROHIT

Order

08/12/2025

1. The petitioner has preferred the present Public Interest Litigation Petition with the following prayers:-



"a) By an appropriate, writ, order or direction may kindly be issued and the any kind of the constructions of the religious building upon the land in Kila No. 401, 500, 602 & 706 Rakba 0.484 hectare, (nature of land commercial) is situated in village 4-Y (village Kaliyan, Tehsil & District Sriganganagar may kindly be restricted and the respondent State Administrative Authority further may kindly be directed to remove all kind of the structures from the land in question, which is raised in violation of the provision of Act of 1954. The respondent Collector may kindly be directed to seize the premises and restrict any kind of religious activity in the premises which is raised upon the land in question.

b) By an appropriate, writ, order or direction may kindly be issued and the propaganda and practice of the respondents No. 5 & 6 with regard to conversion of the peoples from Hindu/ Sikh community to Christianity may kindly be declare illegal and the such kind of the business/practice of the respondent society may kindly be restricted.

c) By an appropriate, writ, order or direction may kindly be issued and the respondent Collector may kindly be directed to conduct the inquiry with regard to activities of the respondent No. 5 & 6 and also the receiving of the fund in account of the charity and use of the same for conversion of the poor people by offering the gratification and material benefits.

d) By an appropriate, writ, order or direction may kindly be issued and the respondent No. 1 may kindly be directed to conduct a detailed inquiry with regard to source of the income of the respondent society and use of the fund by the societies for conversion of the poor people into Christianity.

e) That any other relief, which this Hon'ble Court deems fit, by which the petitioner may get full justice may also be allowed."

2. At the outset, learned Additional Advocate General, Mr. N.S. Rajpurohit submits that at the aforesaid khasra numbers and the





premises in question, no religious activity is being conducted which could contribute to any alleged forcible conversions to Christianity. Learned AAG further submits that, as on date, no person is being subjected to forcible religious conversion at the said premises.

3. Learned counsel Mr. Vijay Aggarwal, submits that since the Public Interest Litigation pertains to a specific location situated at Village Kaliyan, Tehsil Sriganganagar, it would suffice if an undertaking is furnished to the effect that no religious activity is being conducted at the premises in question, nor shall any such activity be conducted in future. Learned counsel further submits that there is no allegation of forcible conversion against the present respondent, nor is the respondent facing any allegation with regard to carrying on religious activities at the said premises.

4. This Court observes that no material has been placed on record by the learned counsel for the petitioner to demonstrate that any forcible conversion has, in fact, taken place at the premise in question. However, this Court further observes that if any religious activity is conducted on the said premises without obtaining due permission from the competent authority, or if such activity results in undue influence upon citizens for religious conversion, the same shall not be permitted in the eyes of law.

5. At this juncture, learned AAG on behalf of the State assures this Court that no religious activity contrary to law shall be permitted at the premises in question, and that if any instance of





forcible conversion is brought to the notice of the authorities, appropriate action shall be taken in accordance with law.

In view of the aforesaid assurance, this Court finds that the present petition deserves to be disposed of. Accordingly, the instant petition stands **disposed of** with a direction that the respondent-State Authorities shall strictly adhere to the assurance given by the learned AAG, and in the event any instance of forcible religious conversion is pointed out or comes to their notice, stern action shall be taken to restrain such activities. The learned AAG further assures the Court that no religious activity shall be allowed at the premises in question without proper and lawful permission.

6. This Court further directs that the State Authorities shall also ensure that no construction is permitted on the premises in question without obtaining due permission in accordance with law.

7. Learned counsel Mr. Vijay Aggarwal is directed to file an affidavit undertaking that no activity, particularly any religious activity contrary to the provisions of law, shall be carried out at the premises in question before the district collector. The petitioner shall have liberty to file fresh PIL if need arises.

8. All pending applications also stand disposed of.

(SANJEET PUROHIT),J

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(DR.PUSHPENDRA SINGH BHATI),J

