

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

CWP No. 10877 of 2015

DATE OF DECISION : 27.05.2015

Ravinder Singh Dhull

.... PETITIONER

Versus

State of Haryana and others

.... RESPONDENTS

CORAM :- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SATISH KUMAR MITTAL

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARINDER SINGH SIDHU

Present : Petitioner in person.

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SATISH KUMAR MITTAL, J. (Oral)

The petitioner, who is a practicing Advocate of this court, has filed this petition in public interest, seeking direction to the respondents to comply with the provisions of the Boilers Act, 1923 read with Haryana Boiler Operation Engineers Rules, 1971, while running the boilers in the thermal power plants situated in the State of Haryana.

The petitioner has shown the concern that all the thermal plants being run by the Government are not following the Punjab Boilers Attendants Rules, 1961, which provides that the boiler can not be used unless the same is being operated by a person holding the boilers attendant's certificate. The petitioner further states that in this regard, a legal notice dated 20.02.2015 (Annexure P-5) has been served not only to all the thermal

plants, but also to the Chief Inspector of Boilers, Haryana and Union Territory of Chandigarh (respondent No.8 herein), but they have not looked into this aspect. It is contended that working of the uncertified workmen on the boilers is a serious matter as boiler can be operated only by a person holding the boilers attendant's certificate, failing which there can be an incident which may even result into loss of human life.

After hearing the petitioner, we deem it appropriate to dispose of this petition at this stage with a direction to the Chief Inspector of Boilers, Haryana and Union Territory of Chandigarh (respondent No.8) to look into the aforesaid legal notice dated 20.02.2015 (Annexure P-5), verify the aforesaid facts and take a decision in accordance with the provisions of the Boilers Act, 1923 and the Rules framed thereunder. If respondent No.8 feels it necessary, then he may also issue notice of hearing to the petitioner.

Ordered accordingly.

(SATISH KUMAR MITTAL)
JUDGE

May 27, 2015
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(HARINDER SINGH SIDHU)
JUDGE