

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

CWP No.11358 of 2015
Date of decision: 28.05.2015

Lekhraj

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN PALLI

Present: Mr. Rahul Dev Singh, Advocate, for the petitioner.

1. Whether reporters of local papers may be allowed to see the judgment?
2. To be referred to the reporters or not?
3. Whether the judgment should be reported in the digest?

ARUN PALLI J. (Oral)

A writ in the nature of mandamus is prayed for, so as to direct the respondents to consider the claim of the petitioner for employment in terms of the agreement dated 20.01.1979 (Annexure P1) and rehabilitation scheme dated 18.11.1993 (Annexure P2), being a Ranjit Sagar Dam Oustee.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the land owned by the petitioner was acquired and utilized for the Ranjit Sagar Dam Project. And thus, petitioner is entitled to be afforded an employment in terms of the scheme dated 18.11.1993 (Annexure P2). However, representation made by the petitioner to the competent authorities in this regard has failed to evoke any response.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that let this petition be disposed of only with a direction to respondent No.1, to consider and decide the representation dated 25.04.2015 (Annexure P9), submitted by the petitioner, within a specified time.

That being so, and without expressing any opinion on merits, the instant petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.1, to consider and decide the claim of the petitioner, as set out in his representation dated 25.04.2015 (Annexure P9), strictly in accordance with law, within a period of three months, from the receipt of the certified copy of this order. Needless to assert, a comprehensive order shall be passed assigning reasons, in support of the decision arrived at.

May 28, 2015
Rajan

(Arun Palli)
Judge