

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

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Civil Writ Petition No.14084 of 2015

Date of Decision: July 16, 2015

Bhupindra Associates, # 92 Urban Estate, Phase 2, Jalandhar, through its proprietor Bhupinder Singh Chopra son of Sh. Kuljit Singh Chopra

...Petitioner

Versus

The State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH

Present: Mr. Rajesh Kumar Girdhar, Advocate
for the petitioner.

AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH, J. (ORAL)

Petitioner was assigned the work of providing rural water supply for village Jhandi Peer, Block Phillaur, District Jalandhar by E.E. No.560-62 dated 29.01.2014. The said work was completed by the petitioner on 02.08.2014. Some amount has been released to the petitioner but the balance payments, which includes the security amount, comes to ₹2,55,298/-, which has till date not been released. The petitioner has submitted a representation dated 14.05.2015 (Annexure P-2) for release of the amount but the same has not been responded to. Petitioner has come to know that its claim has been passed by the Executive Engineer, Water Supply and Sanitation Division No.1, Jalandhar-respondent No.6 and has been forwarded to the Superintending Engineer, Water Supply & Sanitation Circle, Jalandhar-respondent No.5, for release of payment in August, 2014.

Counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner at this stage would be satisfied if a direction is issued to respondents 5 and 6 to consider and decide representation of the petitioner dated 14.05.2015

(Annexure P-2) within some specified time.

In view of the statement made by the counsel for the petitioner, without going into the merits of the case or commenting thereon, the present writ petition is disposed of with directions to the Superintending Engineer, Water Supply & Sanitation Circle, Jalandhar and the Executive Engineer, Water Supply & Sanitation Division No.1, Jalandhar-respondents 5 and 6 respectively, to consider and decide the representation of the petitioner dated 14.05.2015 (Annexure P-2), within a period of two months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

In case the claim of the petitioner is accepted, the consequential benefits, if any, be released to it, in accordance with law, within a further period of six weeks. In case the claim of the petitioner is not to be accepted, a well reasoned and speaking order be passed and conveyed to the petitioner forthwith.

July 16, 2015
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(AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH)
JUDGE