

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

DATE OF DECISION: AUGUST 05, 2015

Gursharan Singh

.....Petitioner

VERSUS

The State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH

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

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

AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH, J. (ORAL)

It is the contention of counsel for the petitioner that two works were assigned to the petitioner, details which have been mentioned in Para 2 of the writ petition. The said works were completed on 23.12.2014 and 28.11.2014 respectively. Some payments have been received by the petitioner but an amount of ₹36,97,899/- is still pending with the respondents. The bills have been sanctioned but the payment has not been released. The competent authority to release the payment is the Executive Engineer, Water Supply & Sanitation Division No.2, Jalandhar-respondent No.6. Petitioner having approached the respondents time and again was forced to serve a legal notice through counsel dated 04.07.2015 (Annexure P-2) on respondent No.6. However, no response thereto has been received

till date.

Counsel contends that the petitioner, at this stage, would be satisfied if a direction is issued to the the Executive Engineer, Water Supply & Sanitation Division No.2, Jalandhar-respondent No.6 to consider and decide the legal notice dated 04.07.2015 (Annexure P-2) filed by the petitioner, within some specified time.

In view of the statement made by the counsel for the petitioner and without going into the merit of the case or commenting thereon, the present writ petition is disposed of with directions to the Executive Engineer, Water Supply & Sanitation Division No.2, Jalandhar-respondent No.6 to consider and decide the legal notice dated 04.07.2015 (Annexure P-2) within a period of three months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order. Decision so taken be conveyed to the petitioner forthwith.

In case the claim of the petitioner is accepted, the consequential benefits, if any, be released to him, in accordance with law, within a further period of one month.

August 05, 2015
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(AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH)
JUDGE