

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

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Civil Writ Petition No.7290 of 2015

Date of Decision: April 22, 2015

Jagdeep Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

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 has approached this Court alleging non-payment of balance amount of ₹70,00,000/- relatable to the work of reconstruction/remodeling of Sandoha Branch Package RD 39950-68700 (Slice RD 64000-68700) and (Slice RD 68700-73000), which was executed by the petitioner and completed in December, 2014. An amount of ₹62,00,000/- has already been paid to the petitioner. The work was allotted to him vide Work Order No.39 dated 04.11.2014 (Annexure P-1). When nothing was heard from the respondents, petitioner has served a legal notice dated 01.04.2015 (Annexure P-2) upon respondent No.4-The Executive Engineer, Mansa Canal Division (I.B.), Jawaharke, District Mansa. Counsel for the petitioner states that no decision thereon till date has been taken or conveyed to the petitioner.

Counsel for the petitioner states that the petitioner, at this stage, will be satisfied if a direction is issued to respondent No.4, to consider and decide the legal notice dated 01.04.2015 (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 direction to respondent No.4- The Executive Engineer, Mansa Canal Division (I.B.), Jawaharke, District Mansa, to consider and decide the legal notice dated 01.04.2015 (Annexure P-2), within a period of three 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 him, 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.

April 22, 2015
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(AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH)
JUDGE