

**HIGH COURT FOR THE STATES OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH**

**CWP No.20550 of 2016
Date of decision:03.10.2016**

M/s Maa Sharda Rice and General Mills

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAMESHWAR SINGH MALIK

Present: Mr.Vikas Mohan Gupta, Advocate for the petitioner.

RAMESHWAR SINGH MALIK, J. (Oral)

Feeling aggrieved against the alleged inaction on the part of respondent authorities, petitioner has approached this Court by way of instant writ petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India, seeking a writ in the nature of mandamus.

Learned counsel for the petitioner refers to specific averments taken in para 13 of the writ petition, to contend, that pursuant to the notification dated 12.8.2016, petitioner applied vide receipt No.421 and thereafter respondent No.2 wrote to respondent No.3 vide communication dated 16.9.2016 (Annexure P-9), which refers to the case of the petitioner as well, however matter is not being taken to its logical end by passing an appropriate order. He further submits that paddy season is running out of time and if the appropriate decision is not taken by the respondent authorities immediately, it will cause serious prejudice to the petitioner. He also submits that petitioner will be satisfied in case respondent No.2 is directed to consider and decide the matter at an early date.

Having heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and without expressing any opinion on the merits of case, lest it should prejudice the rights of either of the parties, the present writ petition is disposed of, with a direction to Director and Special Secretary to Government of Punjab Department of Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs-respondent No.2, to look into the matter, consider the urgency of the issue involved and take an appropriate decision at an early date on its own communication dated 16.9.2016 (Annexure P-9), by passing an appropriate order thereon,

strictly in accordance with law, but in any case within a period of three weeks from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order.

With the above-said observations made and directions issued, the instant writ petition stands disposed of.

03.10.2016
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(RAMESHWAR SINGH MALIK)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether Reportable : Yes/No