

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

COCP No. 98 of 2017 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 25.04.2017

Gurmeet Singh Panch

..... Petitioner

Versus

Amar Partap Singh Virk, Deputy Commissioner,
Barnala, District Bathinda.

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASWANT SINGH

Present: Mohd. Yousaf, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Anant Kataria, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab
for the respondent.

JASWANT SINGH, J. (ORAL)

The writ petition bearing *CWP No. 10745 of 2016* filed by the petitioner, seeking mandamus directions to the respondents to enquire the embezzlement committed by private respondents in connivance with each other for embezzling and misappropriating the huge amount released under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), as also taking criminal action against the private respondents after enquiring the matter, was disposed of vide order dated 27.05.2016 **(Annexure P-1)** with a direction to respondent No. 3-Deputy Commissioner, Barnala, to take a decision on the complaint dated 14.10.2015 in accordance with law, within a period of six months from the date of receipt of certified copy of the order.

Since the needful was not done within the prescribed time, hence the present contempt.

Upon notice, reply on behalf of the respondent has been filed, wherein in para No. 4, it is stated that a detailed enquiry has been conducted and the allegations levelled by the complainant/petitioner were found false. A copy of the said enquiry report has also been supplied to the petitioner on 09.03.2017.

In view of above, learned State Counsel states that the order dated 27.05.2016 (**P-1**) stands complied with, therefore, no further action in the present contempt is warranted as the same has become infructuous.

Dismissed as infructuous.

However, if the petitioner is still aggrieved, he is free to seek his remedy in accordance with law.

April 25, 2017

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**(JASWANT SINGH)
JUDGE**

Whether Speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	Yes/No