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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CWP-17459-2015 (O&M)
Date of decision : 09.10.2017

Public Help-line Society

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondent(s)

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AJAY KUMAR MITTAL
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMIT RAWAL**

Present: Mr. Nafees Ahmad, Advocate for
Mr. M.S. Saini, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Shireesh Gupta, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

Ms. Munisha Gandhi, Sr. Advocate with
Mr. Viraj Gandhi, Advocate
for respondent Nos.3 to 6.

Mr. Barjesh Mittal, Advocate
for respondent No.11.

Mr. A.P.S. Mann, Advocate
for respondent No.12.

AJAY KUMAR MITTAL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner has approached this Court under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ in the nature of *mandamus/certiorari* quashing the entire process by which the raising of loan by the Punjab Infrastructure Development Board (in short 'the PIDB') in the State of Punjab is under way considering the fact that proceeds of the debt are proposed to be present neither to fulfill the mandate of the PIDB as enshrined under the PIDB Act, 2002 nor is the procedure or rules being

followed for selection, planning, awarding, implementing and monitoring the infrastructure projects and also considering the financial position of the State which is precarious under huge public debt/fiscal deficit/revenue deficit/outstanding debt and burgeoning debt faced by the incumbent Government of Punjab, which would further lead to cut-down on all future expenditure to fund debt servicing/inability to pay back the debt and ultimately weakening the already suffering financial position of the State of Punjab.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that he has instructions to withdraw the present writ petition.

3. Ordered accordingly.

4. This order shall also dispose of all the pending civil miscellaneous applications.

(AJAY KUMAR MITTAL)
JUDGE

09.10.2017
Yogesh Sharma

(AMIT RAWAL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned **Yes/ No**

Whether Reportable **Yes/ No**