

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

(114)

CWP-4450-2017

Decided on: March 06, 2017.

Virender Kumar

.... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE M.M.S. BEDI

Present: Mr. R.S. Mamli, Advocate, for the petitioner.

M.M.S. BEDI, J (ORAL)

Pursuant to the representation of the petitioner, the defective meter for domestic consumption was checked. On checking, the meter was found to be not functioning properly. A demand of sum of Rs.1, 60,254/- made was challenged before the Permanent Lok Adalat (Public Utility Services), Fatehabad but the petition has been dismissed.

After hearing learned counsel for the petitioner and going through the various provisions of law, it is apparent that the petitioner has got alternative remedy to challenge the wrong assessment by approaching Consumer Redressal Forum/Special Court under Section 127 of the Electricity Act besides other relevant provisions.

This petition is disposed of with a direction that in case the petitioner opts to avail alternative remedy provided under law within a period of one month after all the necessary formalities, the same will be taken into consideration irrespective of any observations made by the Permanent Lok Adalat (Public Utility Services).

In case, the petitioner fails to approach the competent forum within a period of 30 days, this petition will be deemed to have been dismissed.

(M.M.S. BEDI)
JUDGE

March 06, 2017
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Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether reportable:	Yes/No