

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

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Civil Writ Petition No.13507 of 2018

Date of Decision: July 31st, 2018

Dharampal Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

The State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH

Present: Mr. K.S. Lakhanpal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH, J. (ORAL)

Petitioner has approached this Court claiming grant of honorarium, telephone allowance and meeting allowance for the period April 2016 to April 2018 which has not been released by respondent No.3- the Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Dera Baba Nanak, District Gurdaspur.

2. Counsel for the petitioner submits that had sought information under the Right to Information Act, wherein the information has been supplied indicating that his claim with regard to the honorarium stands established but the same has not been released. Reliance has been placed upon the communication dated 13.04.2018 (Annexure P-1) received by him from the Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Dera Baba Nanak. Highlighting this aspect and putting forth his claim, petitioner has submitted a representation dated 24.04.2018 (Annexure P-2) but till date no decision thereon has been taken nor has the petitioner been paid the amount due to him. Counsel contends that the petitioner, at this stage, would be satisfied if a direction is issued to respondent No.3 to consider and decide the representation of the petitioner within some specified time.

3. Without going into the merits of the case or commenting

thereon, the present petition is disposed of with direction to

respondent No.3-Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Dera Baba Nanak, District Gurdaspur, to consider and decide the representation dated 24.04.2018 (Annexure P-2) of the petitioner within a period of two months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

4. In case the claim of the petitioner is to be rejected, a well reasoned and detailed order be passed and in case the claim is to be accepted, the consequential benefits be released to the petitioner within a further period of four weeks.

July 31st, 2018
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(AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether Reportable: Yes/No