

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

CWP No.18826 of 2018 (O&M)

Date of decision: 01.08.2018

Sham Lal Gupta

.....Petitioner

Versus

The State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM:HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE RITU BAHRI

Present: Mr. R.K. Girdhar, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Ritu Bahri, J.

This petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India is for issuance of writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to release the balance payment of ₹16,01,322/-, including security, qua the work, which was allotted to the petitioner.

In the year 2014, the petitioner was allotted certain work(s) by the respondents, detail of which has been given in para No.2 of the petition. The petitioner has completed the said work(s) to the satisfaction of the respondents. But, the balance payment of ₹16,01,322/- has not been released to him till date. In this regard, the petitioner has served a legal notice dated 09.07.2018 (Annexure P-2) upon respondent No.5, but no action has been taken thereon till date.

In view of the above position, this petition, at this stage is being disposed of without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, by giving a direction to the respondents to look in to the legal notice dated 09.07.2018 (Annexure P-2) and decide the same in accordance with law,

within a period of one month from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order. In case, the respondents come to a conclusion that the petitioner is entitled to the amount mentioned above, the same be released forthwith.

01.08.2018
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(RITU BAHRI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No
Whether reportable : Yes/No