

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CWP-19033-2018

Date of Decision: August 02, 2018

Jagdish Kumar

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana and others

.....Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE SURYA KANT
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDIP AHLUWALIA**

Present: Mr.Arun Bansal, Advocate for the petitioner.

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SURYA KANT, J.(ORAL)

The claim raised in the instant writ petition is too old and stale.

The petitioner had applied for allotment of a plot in the category of 'Old Licencees' in the New Grain Market at Karnal. Draw of lots was held on 26.02.2004 in which the petitioner was stated to be successful and Plot No.452 was allotted to him.

[2] The petitioner alleges that the official respondents told him that the above-stated plot had been already allotted to some one else. He therefore did not deposit the earnest money. The petitioner sought information under the RTI and served the authorities with a Legal Notice dated 22.12.2017, followed by the instant writ petition claiming that an alternative plot be allotted to him as several plots are lying unallotted in the New Grain Market at Karnal.

[3] [At the very outset it may be mentioned that the petitioner has not given any satisfactory explanation for the inordinate delay and laches in

raking up the claim. Be that as it may, the writ petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent Nos.2 and 3 to decide the claim of the petitioner, as contained in the Legal Notice, dated 22.12.2017 (Annexure P-9) within a period of four months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order.

[4] It is made clear that if the authorities decide to accept the claim of the petitioner, the allotment shall be made at the current allotment rate.

**(SURYA KANT)
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**(SUDIP AHLUWALIA)
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| 1. | Whether speaking/reasoned ? | Yes/No |
| 2. | Whether reportable ? | Yes/No |