

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

COCN No. 299 of 2018

Date of Decision: 11.09.2019

Om Parkash Gupta

.....Petitioner

Versus

Sh. Karunesh Sharma

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN

Present: Mr. Hemender Goswami, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Deepali Puri Sandhu, Addl. AG Punjab.

AVNEESH JHINGAN, J.(oral)

This contempt petition has been filed pleading wilful disobedience of order dated 7.9.2017 passed in CWP No. 20241 of 2017.

The operational part of the order is reproduced below:

"Accordingly, instant petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 to look into the grievances unfolded by the petitioner in his legal notice dated July 21, 2017 (Annexure P-6) and to take a conscious decision in accordance with law within a period of three months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order. However, in case the petitioner still feels aggrieved by any of the order(s) passed by competent authority, he shall be at liberty to approach this Court."

Reply by way of affidavit of Mr. Karnesh Sharma, Director, Department of Local Government, Punjab, has been filed today and the same is taken on record. Copy supplied to counsel for the petitioner.

Along with reply an order dated 6.9.2019 has been annexed whereby interest for the period w.e.f. 23.11.2016 to 18.5.2018 has been granted.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that the period of interest has wrongly been counted and he seeks liberty to avail remedy in accordance with law.

In view of the reply filed, the contempt petition is disposed of with liberty as prayed for.

Vide order dated 3.9.2019, Director, Department of Local Bodies, Punjab was directed to remain present in Court to explain why the directions of this Court to decide the legal notice dated 7.9.2017 was not complied with. Mr. Karnesh Sharma, Director, is present today, he assures the Court that he will inquire into the matter as to on whose inaction or default the delay has occurred and appropriate action would be taken.

Rule issued against the respondent stands discharged.

(AVNEESH JHINGAN)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes
Whether Reportable:	No