

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

**CWP-1090-2019 (O&M)
Date of Decision:16.01.2019**

Gopal Dass Contractor

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab & others

... Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA.

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

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TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner/Contractor has filed the instant writ petition raising a grievance that inspite of the work allotted i.e. development of playgrounds of Aadesh Senior Secondary School, Village Raniwala, M.C. Malout, District Sri Muktsar Sahib having been executed, the balance payments amounting to Rs.13,91,601/- has not been released by the concerned authorities under the Punjab Mandi Board.

Counsel submits that even a legal notice dated 20.01.2018 (Annexure P-4) has been served but no response is forthcoming.

Without even ascertaining the correctness of the averments made in the petition and without going into the merits of the claim raised by the petitioner/Contractor, I deem it appropriate to dispose of the instant writ petition with a direction to the Executive Engineer, Punjab Mandi Board, Sri Muktsar Sahib/Competent Authority to examine the claim of the petitioner in the light of legal notice dated 20.01.2018 (Annexure P-4) and to take a final decision thereupon in accordance with law expeditiously and in any case within a period of six weeks from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order.

Needless to observe that in case any outstanding amounts are found due, the necessary funds would be released to the petitioner/ Contractor without any further delay.

Disposed of.

16.01.2019

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**(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE**

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| i) | Whether speaking/reasoned? | Yes/No |
| ii) | Whether reportable? | Yes/No |