

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

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CWP-1801-2019
Date of Decision: 23.01.2019

The Lambra Co-operative Labour & Construction Society Ltd.

--Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

--Respondents

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

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

TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA.J.

Counsel contends that the petitioner/Society is a Co-operative Labour and Construction Society. On 26.09.2015, the work of clearance of jungle from the banks of the canal etc. and for restoration of the damaged lining in patches was allotted to the petitioner. The details of the work allotted has been mentioned in para 2 of the writ petition.

The precise grievance raised by the petitioner is that inspite of the petitioner having completed work on 28.10.2015 itself, a balance payment of Rs.13,03,155/- has not been released. Counsel argues that such amount has been withheld without any justifiable basis.

In view of the grievance raised in the petition, I deem it appropriate to dispose of writ petition at the very threshold and without ascertaining the correctness of the averments made in the petition by directing respondent No.4 i.e. the Executive Engineer, Investigation Division, (IB), Hoshiarpur, to consider the claim of the petitioner-Society against the backdrop of a legal notice dated 11.12.2018 (Annexure P-2) that is stated to have already been submitted and a final decision thereupon

be taken expeditiously and in any case within a period of eight weeks from

the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order.

Needless to observe that if any amount is found due to the petitioner/Company, the same would be released without any further delay.

Disposed of.

(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE

23.01.2019

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