

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

CWP No. 4910 of 2019
Date of decision:-25.02.2019

Ashok Kumar Contractor

.....Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

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

Present:- Mr. Rajesh Kumar Girdhar, Advocate for the petitioner.

TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J.(ORAL)

The petitioner-Contractor has filed the instant petition raising a grievance that inspite of the work allotted i.e. Augmentation of Safe Drinking Water Supply Scheme for Village Goniana, Block & District Sri Muktsar Sahib, having been executed by, the balance payments amounting to Rs.36,90,000/- approximately including the security deposit has not been released by the concerned Water Supply & Sanitation Department, State of Punjab.

Counsel submits that even a representation dated 27.01.2019 (Annexure P-2) has been served but no response is forthcoming till date.

In view of the above and without even ascertaining the correctness of the averments made in the instant petition and without going into the merits of the claim, I deem it appropriate to dispose of the writ petition with a direction to respondent No.4 i.e.The Executive Engineer, Water Supply & Sanitation Division No.1, Sri Muktsar Sahib, to examine the claim of the petitioner against the backdrop of the representation dated 27.01.2019 (Annexure P-2) and to take a final

decision thereupon expeditiously and in any case within a period of eight weeks from the receipt of certified copy of this order.

Needless to observe that in case any payment is found due to the petitioner, the same would be released without any further delay.

Disposed of.

(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE

25.02.2019

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No