

**118/3 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

**CWP No. 6003 of 2019
Date of decision : 06.03.2019**

The Sangrahoor Co.op L & C Society Ltd. Petitioner

versus

The State of Punjab and others Respondents

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

Present: Mr. Chirag Girdhar, Advocate for the petitioner.

TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner is stated to be a Cooperative Labour & Construction Society. It is contended that in the Month of February,2016 two works were allotted to the petitioner-society and the details of which have been furnished in para 2 of the writ petition.

The short grievance raised in the petition is that inspite of the work having been executed and completed payment in lieu thereof amounting to Rs. 3,90,000/-approximately including security amount has not been released till date.

Counsel argues that the action of the respondent-authorities is arbitrary and the amount has been withheld without any justifiable basis.

Counsel makes a submission that a legal notice has already been served and he would be satisfied if the writ petition is to be disposed of with a direction to the concerned authorities to examine the same within a

stipulated time frame.

Prayer made by counsel is found to be just and reasonable.

In view of the above and without even ascertaining the correctness of the averments made in the petition, I deem it appropriate to dispose of the writ petition with a direction to respondent No.3 i.e. the Divisional Engineer, Punjab Water Resources Management & Development Corporation Ltd., Lining Division No.1, Canal Colony, Ferozepur, to examine the claim of the petitioner against the backdrop of legal notice dated 04.02.2019(Annexure P-2)and to take a final decision thereupon expeditiously and in any case within a period of eight weeks from today.

Needless to observe that if any payment is found outstanding the same be released to the petitioner without any delay.

It is clarified that this Court has not examined the claim of the petitioner on merits.

Disposed of.

(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	Yes/No