

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

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**CWP No. 7397 of 2019
Date of Decision: 18.3.2019**

The Navyug Cooperative Labour and Construction Society Ltd.
.....**Petitioner**

v.

The State of Punjab and others**Respondents**

CORAM HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA

Present:- Mr. Prince Goyal, Advocate, for the petitioner

TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J. (Oral)

Petitioner is stated to be an A-Class Government Contractor. It is averred that in the year 2015 certain works were allotted to the petitioner society by the Punjab Water Resources Management and Development Corporation Limited. Details of works have been furnished in a tabulation contained in para No.1-A of the writ petition.

Short grievance raised in the petition is that inspite of the works having been executed and completed an amount of Rs.6,10,000/- (Rupees six lakhs and ten thousand) approximately has not been released.

Counsel would argue that the action of the respondent authority is arbitrary and the amount in question 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 was to be disposed of with a direction to the concerned authority to examine the same within a stipulated time frame.

Submissions 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.4 to examine the claim of the petitioner against the back drop of a legal notice dated 15.1.2019 (Annexure P-2) which is stated to have already been served and to take a final decision thereupon, expeditiously and in any case within a period of 8 weeks from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

Needless to observe that if any amount is found due to the petitioner the same would be released forthwith.

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

Disposed of.

(Tejinder Singh Dhindsa)
Judge

18.3.2019
Ashwani

Speaking/Reasoned
Reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No