

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT  
CHANDIGARH

**CWP-7488-2019 (O&M)**  
**Date of Decision: 18.03.2019**

Manish Kumar & another

--Petitioners

Versus

Punjab State Grain Procurement Corporation  
Ltd. & others

--Respondents

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

Present:- Mr. Tribhawan Singla, Advocate for the petitioners.

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**TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA.J (Oral)**

Counsel would contend that PUNGRAIN has taken on rent the open plinth owned by the petitioners at Tappa District Barnala for the year 2017-18 for storing of the wheat crop on an year to year basis. Documents at Annexures P-2 and P-3 have been adverted to to contend that the period in question was 1.4.2017 to 31.3.2018.

Short grievance raised in the instant petition is that the rent of the open plinth for the contract period i.e. 1.4.2017 to 31.3.2018 amounting to Rs.7 lakh approximately has not been released.

Counsel argues that the action of the State Procurement Agency is unfair and unjust.

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 claim of the petitioners 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 same with a direction to respondent no.1 to examine the claim of the petitioners against the backdrop of the legal notice dated 6.7.2018 (Annexure P-7) 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 due to the petitioners, the same would be released without any further delay.

It is, however, clarified that this Court has not examined the claim of the petitioners on merits.

Disposed of.

**(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)**  
**JUDGE**

**18.03.2019**

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| Whether Reportable:        | Yes/No |