

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

CWP No.8053 of 2019
Date of decision:-27.03.2019

Ram Karan

.....Petitioner

versus

Municipal Corporation, Panchkula and others

.....Respondents

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

Present:- Mr. Jagbir Malik, Advocate for the petitioner.

TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J.(ORAL)

Petitioner is stated to be a registered Government Contractor.

On 05.07.2018, petitioner was allotted the work of construction of Shamshan Ghat in Village Tagra Hakimpur, Ward No.2, Kalka, District Panchkula. As per work order, the work was to be completed within a period of 4 months.

The short grievance raised in the petition is that inspite of the work having been completed well within the stipulated time frame, an amount of Rs.33,00,000/-approximately is still outstanding.

Counsel would argue that the action of the Municipal Corporation, Panchkula is unjust and arbitrary.

Counsel further raises a submission that even a legal notice has 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 petitioner and to take a decision thereupon expeditiously.

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

In view of the above, I deem it appropriate to dispose of the writ petition with a direction to respondent No.1 to examine the claim of the petitioner against the backdrop of legal notice dated 25.01.2019 (Annexure P-7) 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 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.

(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE

27.03.2019

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No