

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

**CWP-25040-2019 (O&M)
Date of Decision:11.12.2019**

M/s Bhardwaj Builders & Construction Co.

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab & another

... Respondents

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

Present:- Mr. Gitish Bhardwaj, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Kanica Sachdeva, AAG, Punjab.

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TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J. (ORAL)

Petitioner is stated to be a Builder and Construction Company.

Instant writ petition has been filed seeking a mandamus for release of a payment of Rs.4,44,922/- claiming the outstanding amount due qua certain works that were allotted and have since been executed. The details of the works allotted to the petitioner have been furnished in paragraphs 3 to 6 of the writ petition.

It is the categoric contention raised by counsel that there is no dispute with regard to the works that were completed. It is argued that the action of the respondent/authorities in having withheld the amount of Rs.4,44,922/- is wholly unjust and unreasonable.

Counsel makes a submission that a legal notice has already been served upon the respondent/authorities and he would be satisfied if the writ petition were to be disposed of with a direction to the concerned authority to look into the matter.

Submission 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 instant writ petition with a direction to respondent No.2 to examine the claim of the petitioner/company against the backdrop of a legal notice dated 03.06.2019 (Annexure P-4) and to take a final decision thereupon expeditiously and in any case within a period of two months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order.

Disposed of.

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

11.12.2019

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**(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE**

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| i) | Whether speaking/reasoned? | Yes/No |
| ii) | Whether reportable? | Yes/No |