

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

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**COCP No.4121 of 2019  
Date of Decision: 19.12.2019**

Ravi Kumar Soi

Petitioner

Versus

Ajay Kumar, Secretary, Ministry of Defence, Government of India,  
New Delhi

Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN**

Present: Mr. A.S. Manaise, Advocate  
for the petitioner.

Mr. Chetan Mittal, Assistant Solicitor General of India,  
Mr. Udit Garg, Advocate and  
Mr. Padamkant Dwivedi, Advocate  
for the respondent-Union of India.

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**AVNEESH JHINGAN, J (Oral):**

The petitioners filed a writ petition raising grievance that they had approached the Secretary, Ministry of Defence, Government of India under Rule 17(3) of the Cantonment Electoral Rules, 2007 alleging non-adherence to the procedure and time frame mandated under the provisions of the Cantonment Act, 2006. The petition was disposed of on 11.09.2019 directing the Secretary, Ministry of Defence, Government of India to take decision on the representation dated 23.08.2019 and thereafter take steps as may be deemed fit in accordance with law.

Learned counsel for the respondent submits that matter has been looked into, the comments are being sent by the Board. He further states that order on the representation would be passed by the Secretary, Ministry of Defence, Government of India within one month from today and if anything required thereafter, same would be done expeditiously.

In view of above, the contempt petition is disposed of.

**[AVNEESH JHINGAN]**  
**JUDGE**

**December 19, 2019**

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| 1. Whether speaking/ reasoned | : | Yes / No |
| 2. Whether reportable         | : | Yes / No |