

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

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**CIVIL WRIT PETITION NO.674 OF 2020
DATE OF DECISION: MARCH 18, 2020**

Jagtar Singh

.....Petitioner

VERSUS

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH

Present: Mr. Abhishek K. Premi, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Vikas Mohan Gupta, Addl.Advocate General, Punjab,
for the State.

AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH, J. (ORAL)

Reply by way of affidavit of Chief Engineer (South),
Department of Water Supply and Sanitation, Patiala, dated 18.03.2020, on
behalf of respondent Nos.1 to 3 has been filed in Court. The same is taken
on record.

The basic contention, which has been raised on behalf of
counsel for the petitioner, is that the impugned order dated 05.12.2019
(Annexure P-8) is totally a non-speaking order. On perusal of the same, the
assertion of counsel for the petitioner is found to be correct.

Therefore, without going into the merits of the case and
commenting thereon, the present writ petition is allowed. Impugned order
dated 05.12.2019 (Annexure P-8) passed by the Chief Engineer (South),

Punjab Water Supply & Sanitation Department, Patiala, is hereby set-aside being a non-speaking one.

Liberty, however, is granted to Chief Engineer (South)-respondent No.2 to pass a fresh speaking order in accordance with law. The said order, if any, be passed preferably within a period of eight weeks.

March 18, 2020
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(AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable:	Yes/No