

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

Sr. No.205

CWP No.7484 of 2020 (O&M)

Date of Decision : 13.07.2020

Verinder Singh

..... Petitioner

Versus

Punjab Small Industries & Export Corporation Ltd. (PSIEC) and others

..... Respondents

**CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AJAY TEWARI
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASGURPREET SINGH PURI**

Present : Mr. Anil Mehta, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. R.C. Sharma, Advocate
for respondents No.1 to 3.

Mr. Chetan Mittal, Sr. Advocate
with Mr. Kunal Mulwani, Advocate
for the caveator-respondent No.4.

AJAY TEWARI, J. (ORAL)

1. This petition has been filed challenging the E-auction of commercial sites developed by the respondent No.1 situated at Industrial Focal Point, Phase VIII-A, Mohali.

2. It is averred that originally the E-auction was supposed to be scheduled for 30.03.2020 but was postponed due to the lock-down and was

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subsequently conducted in a hush-hush and secretive manner on 29.04.2020. It is, however, not disputed that a corrigendum was put up on the website of the respondents on 26.03.2020 announcing the date of E-auction as 29.04.2020.

3. In the replies filed by the respondents, it has been mentioned that in fact 4 bidders got registered and placed 30 bids for the purchase of site in question against the reserve price of Rs.25000/- per sq. yard. The property was actually e-auctioned at Rs.32,600/- per sq. yard. It has further been averred that even in the original advertisement it had been mentioned as follows:-

“Any corrigendum pertaining to the site offered or any intimation regarding extension of e-auction shall be announced on www.psi.ec.punjab.gov.in.”

4. No replication has been filed.

5. In view of the facts and circumstances of the case, we find no fault in the E-auction process.

6. Petition is dismissed.

7. Since the main case has been decided, the pending C.M. Application, if any, also stands disposed of.

(AJAY TEWARI)
JUDGE

(JASGURPREET SINGH PURI)
JUDGE

July 13, 2020
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Whether speaking/reasoned Yes/No

Whether Reportable : Yes/No