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

Civil Writ Petition No. 8824 of 2019 (O&M)

Date of decision : January 20, 2020

Sach Enterprises

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE LISA GILL

Present: Mr. Surinder Garg, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Abhaypal Singh Gill, AAG, Punjab.

LISA GILL, J.

Prayer in this writ petition is for release of the amount in question stated to be due towards the petitioner for supply of material under the MNEAREGA scheme alongwith interest of 18% on the delayed payment.

Learned counsel for the petitioner, at the outset, submits that principal amount due towards the petitioner has since been released. However, component of interest has not been released. The petitioner, at this stage, it is submitted, would be satisfied in case, a direction is issued to the competent authority to decide the question of entitlement of the petitioner to interest for the delayed period in terms of legal notice dated 21.02.2019 (Annexure P2) served by the petitioner.

Keeping in view the facts and circumstances as above, this writ petition is disposed of, without any expression of opinion on merits, with a direction to the competent authority to decide the entitlement of the petitioner to interest for the delayed payment within a period of three months from the date of receipt of certified copy of the order.

**(Lisa Gill)
Judge**

January 20, 2020

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No