

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARAYANA AT CHANDIGARH

103 (PROCEEDINGS THROUGH V.C.)

CWP-10928-2020 &

CM-7260-CWP-2020

Date of decision: 07.08.2020

AMAN SHARMA

...PETITIONER

V/S

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANOTHER

..RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH

Present: Mr. R.S.Khosla, Sr. Advocate,
with Mr. Sarvesh Malik, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH, J. (ORAL)
CM-7260-CWP-2020

Prayer in this application is for impleading Punjab Building and Other Construction Workers Welfare Board, through its Secretary as respondent No. 3 and for placing on record as a consequence thereof, the amended Memo of Parties.

For the reasons mentioned in the application, the same is allowed. Punjab Building and Other Construction Workers Welfare Board, through its Secretary is impleaded as respondent No. 3. Amended Memo of Parties appended along with the application is taken on record. Registry is directed to place the same at the appropriate stage of the case.

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Petitioner has approached this Court with a grievance that despite he having been appointed as a Legal Retainer with Punjab Building and Other Construction Workers Welfare Board-respondent No. 3 at a monthly retainership fee of ₹15,000/-, which was subsequently enhanced to

₹20,000/- per month, nothing has been paid to him since November, 2018.

Certain clarification was sought by the respondents, which has also been given by the petitioner on 18.02.2019. Despite that, no final decision with regard to the claim of the petitioner has been taken forcing him to serve a notice through counsel dated 12.03.2020 (Annexure P-3). The said legal notice has also not been responded to.

Learned senior counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner, at this stage, would be satisfied if a direction is issued to the Secretary, Punjab Building and Other Construction Workers Welfare Board-respondent No. 3 to consider and take a decision on the legal notice dated 12.03.2020 (Annexure P-3) within some specified time and grant the consequential benefits in case the said claim is accepted.

In the light of the above, without commenting further upon the merits of the case, the present petition is disposed of with directions to the Secretary, Punjab Building and Other Construction Workers Welfare Board-respondent No. 3 to consider and decide the legal notice dated 12.03.2020 (Annexure P-3) served by the petitioner within a period of one month. In case the claim of the petitioner is accepted, the consequential benefits be released to him within a further period of one month. Decision taken be conveyed to the petitioner forthwith.

August 05, 2020

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**(AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether Reportable : Yes/No