

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

COCN No.1527 of 2020
Date of Decision : 10.08.2020

Prashant Dixit

....Petitioner

Versus

Parth Gupta, Secretary, Haryana Staff
Selection Commission

....Respondent

Coram : Hon'ble Mr. Justice B.S. Walia

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

B.S. Walia, J. (VC)

Case is being taken up for hearing through Video Conferencing due to the outbreak of Covid-19 pandemic.

1. Learned counsel contends that CWP No.8593 of 2020 was disposed of vide order dated 26.06.2020 with a direction to respondent No.2 to take a decision on the legal notice, Annexure P-3 dated 09.06.2020 by passing a speaking order after affording opportunity of hearing to the petitioner, preferably within two weeks from the date of receipt of certified copy of the order but despite lapse of sufficient period of time, needful has not been done.

2. Notice to the respondent to show cause as to why proceedings under the Contempt of Court Act, 1971 be not initiated against him for non-compliance with the orders of this Court dated 26.06.2020.

3. Mr. Hitesh Pandit, Addl. A.G. Haryana accepts notice and puts

in appearance on behalf of the respondent. Learned Addl. A.G. on telephonic instructions from the respondent states that due to prevailing conditions on account of corona virus pandemic, needful could not be done but in case two weeks' more time is granted, appropriate orders would be passed on the legal notice Annexure P-3 dated 09.06.2020.in accordance with law after compliance with the principles of natural justice

4. The same satisfies learned counsel for the petitioner.

5. In view of the statement of learned counsel for the parties, the contempt petition is disposed of by granting liberty to the respondents to pass speaking orders qua the claim in the legal notice Annexure P-3 dated 09.06.2020 within two weeks from today after affording opportunity of hearing to the petitioner.

(B.S. Walia)
Judge

August 10, 2020

'Ps/Amit'

<i>Whether speaking/ reasoned</i>	:	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether reportable</i>	:	<i>Yes/No</i>