

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

(206)

CWP No. 13818-2020
Date of Decision : 17.11.2020

RAJWINDER KAUR

....Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

.....Respondents

(through video conferencing)

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present:- Mr. Ferry Sofat, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. T.P.S. Chawla, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab.

Mr. Shantanu Bansal, Advocate for
Mr. Ashok Mittal, Advocate
for respondents No. 2 to 5-PSPCL.

Harsimran Singh Sethi, J. (Oral)

Reply on behalf of respondents No. 2 to 5 has been filed in
Court today. The same is taken on record.

Present petition has been filed challenging the show cause
notice dated 13.07.2020 (Annexure P-5) by which it has been proposed that
petitioner is liable to pay ₹1,66,010/- on account of theft of electricity done
in the premises by the petitioner.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the premises,
wherein allegation of theft of electricity has been alleged, is equally divided

between the petitioner and her ex-husband and the petitioner's property is lying closed as she is not residing in the said premises as there is no electricity connection in the said premises and allegation of theft of electricity by the petitioner as being alleged by the respondents in the show cause notice is fake and no act has been committed by the petitioner, which is against the law.

Learned counsel for the respondents No. 2 to 5-PSPCL submits that present is the show cause notice and rather than explaining her conduct before the authorities, the petitioner has filed the present petition. Learned counsel for the respondents further submits that in case the petitioner files any reply explaining her conduct, the same will be considered and the issue will be decided by the authorities by passing appropriate order to the effect whether petitioner is involved in the theft of the electricity and is liable to pay any amount or not.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner will submit her reply to the authorities within a period of two weeks from today.

Learned counsel for the respondents submits that appropriate orders, by considering the reply, if any received, will be passed by the respondent-authorities as to whether, the petitioner is liable to pay any amount or not keeping in view the allegations of theft of electricity, within a period of six weeks from today.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that keeping in view the statement of learned counsel for the respondents, as recorded above, no grievance of the petitioner survives any further at this stage and he does not press this petition any further at this stage and the same may be disposed of

as such.

Ordered accordingly.

November 17, 2020
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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking? *Yes/No*
Whether reportable? *Yes/No*