

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

**CWP No.15772 of 2020
Date of decision: 29.09.2020**

The Modern Co. Op. L&C Society Ltd.

...Petitioner

Versus

The State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM:HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE RITU BAHRI

Present: Mr. R.K. Girdhar, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Ritu Bahri, J.

Petitioner is seeking direction to the respondents to refund the earnest money amounting to Rs.71,975/-, deposited by the petitioner, while submitting tenders for the works of making seasonal arrangements in Market Committee, Dhanula and Barnala.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has placed on record the tender details (Annexures P-1 and P-2) showing deposit of earnest money. However, after finalization of the tender/work, aforesaid earnest money has not been released despite visiting the office of respondent Nos.4 to 6.

With regard to its grievance, petitioner has served a legal notice dated 08.08.2020 (Annexure P-3) upon the respondent(s), but no action has been taken thereon till date.

Notice of motion.

On the asking of the Court, Mr. Suveer Sheokhand, Addl. A.G.,

At this stage, present petition is disposed of by giving direction to respondent Nos.4 to 6 to look into the legal notice dated 08.08.2020 (Annexure P-3) and pass a speaking order thereon in accordance with law within a period of three (03) months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order. In case the competent authority finds that the claim of petitioner is of worth acceptance, then in that eventuality, payment be made along with interest @ 6.5% per annum from the date of deposit.

29.09.2020
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(RITU BAHRI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No