

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CWP-21430-2020

Date of decision: 14.12.2020

Rajiv Singla

.....Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab and another

....Respondents

CORAM: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Girish Agnihotri

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

Mr. Suveer Sheokhand, Additional AG, Punjab.

GIRISH AGNIHOTRI, J. (Oral)

The matter has been taken up through video-conferencing on account of restrictions due to outbreak of pandemic COVID-19.

Petitioner-Rajiv Singla, stated to be aged 48 years, has filed the present petition *inter alia* with a prayer for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing respondent No.2 to renew the Arms License of the petitioner, which was applied vide Application No.12125915 dated 04.09.2020 (Annexure P-3).

Learned counsel for the petitioner, by making reference to the pleadings in the petition, submits that the petitioner was duly granted Arms license vide letter dated 20.08.2014. In 2017 again, it was renewed for three years i.e. upto 19.08.2020. Learned counsel submits that on 04.09.2020, the petitioner had applied for renewal of his license by depositing appropriate

fee etc. The grievance of the petitioner is that in spite this, till date, the same has not been renewed nor he has received any communication in this regard.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that for the same/similar grievance, the petitioner has submitted a representation dated 21.10.2020 (Annexure P-11) before the District Magistrate, District Fatehgarh Sahib.

Notice of motion.

On asking of the Court, Mr. Suveer Sheokand, Additional AG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the State.

Without commenting upon merits of the case, this Court deems it appropriate to dispose of the present petition with a direction to the Competent Authority-respondent No.2, to decide the above said representation (Annexure P-11) in accordance with law as expeditiously as possible, preferably within six weeks from today.

A copy of this order be sent to the Competent Authority, by the Registry through e-mail or any other mode, so as to enable the said authority to do the needful expeditiously.

Ordered accordingly.

(GIRISH AGNIHOTRI)
JUDGE

14.12.2020

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Whether speaking/ reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether Reportable:

Yes/No