

HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH**CWP-22140-2020****(Heard through VC)****Date of decision: 21.12.2020****Kulwinder Kaur****....Petitioner****V/s.****Punjabi University Patiala and another****.....Respondents****CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE RITU BAHRI.****Present: Mr. Harvinder Singh Maan, Advocate for the petitioner(s).************Ritu Bahri, J. (Oral)**

The petitioner is seeking direction to the respondents to make payment of Rs.18,62,190/- for the period 15.08.2016 to 15.02.2017 and payment of Rs. 19,96,500/- for the period 16.02.2017 to 15.08.2017 qua the service provided by the petitioner as per the rent agreement dated 14.08.2014 (Annexure P-4) alongwith interest.

The petitioner has given details in para nos. 2 and 3 with regard to process adopted when the petitioner was given tender. Vide rent agreement dated 14.08.2014 (Annexure P-4), the final bills have been sent to Vice-Chancellor for approval which have been approved vide letter dated 31.08.2016 (Annexure P-5) and 10% advance income tax has been deducted and recommendation for payment has been made as per the audit report dated 09.09.2016 (Annexure P-6) for Rs.18,62,190/-

The petitioner has given detailed representations dated 06.06.2017 (Annexure P-7), 18.03.2020 (Annexure P-8) and 14.12.2020 (Annexure P-9) in this regard but no steps have been taken to release the payment to the petitioner.

Without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, this petition is being disposed of by giving direction to the respondents to pass a speaking order on the representations dated 06.06.2017 (Annexure P-7), 18.03.2020 (Annexure P-8) and 14.12.2020 (Annexure P-9) made by the petitioner within a period of three months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order and if the petitioner is found entitled to payment, she should be released the payment immediately.

21.12.2020**Divyanshi****RITU BAHRI
(JUDGE)****Whether speaking/reasoned:****Yes/No****Whether reportable:****Yes/No**