

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

CWP-35873-2019

Date of Decision: February 27, 2020

THE KARHERI COOPERATIVE L & C SOCIETY LTD

..... Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ORS.

..... Respondent(s)

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE LISA GILL

Present: Mr. Rajdeep Singh Gill, Advocate for
Mr. P.S. Sekhon, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Harsimar Singh Sitta, AAG, Punjab.

LISA GILL, J.(Oral)

Prayer in this writ petition is for directing the respondents to release the payment due towards the petitioner, as the work allotted to him has been successfully completed to the satisfaction of the authorities.

Reply by way of affidavit dated 25.02.2020 of Ramandeep Singh Bains, Executive Engineer, Patiala Drainage Division, Patiala filed on behalf of respondents no.3 & 4, in Court today, with a copy thereof, to learned counsel for the petitioner, is taken on record, subject to just exceptions.

Learned counsel for the State points out that a sum of Rs.40,45,112/- has been found due towards the petitioner. A sum of Rs.9,29,595/- has been released and in respect to the amount of Rs.31,15,517/-, the bill was sent to the District Treasury, Patiala for clearance on 23.12.2019. However, same has not yet been cleared.

In view of the statement made by the Principal Secretary, Finance, Government of Punjab in the proceedings in COCP No.3834 of 2019, the said bill is expected to be cleared by 30.04.2020.

In this view of the matter, the present writ petition, it is submitted, is rendered infructuous.

Writ petition is accordingly disposed of as infructuous.

Needless to say, in case, the amount in question is not released by 30.04.2020, the petitioner is at liberty to agitate before the concerned authority for interest on the delayed payment.

(LISA GILL)
JUDGE

27.02.2020

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