

**103/A IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

**CWP-4753-2021(O&M)
Date of Decision:01.03.2021**

M/s Unicorn Builders and Contractors Petitioner

versus

The State of Punjab and others Respondents

**CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA

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

TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J. (ORAL)

Petitioner claims himself to be a Government Contractor. It is averred that on 04.03.2020 the work of Periodic Renewal of PMGSY road Amargarh to Toderwal up to Block Boundary was allotted to the petitioner.

Precise case set up is that inspite of the work having been successfully completed in August, 2020 the first running bill amounting to Rs. 67, 22,907/- and the second/final bill amounting to Rs. 15, 25,095/- even though passed but the payment has not been released.

Counsel argues that the action of the respondent-authorities is unjust and unfair. Without any justifiable basis the payment in lieu of work that has been successfully completely is not being released.

At this stage counsel makes a statement that he has already served upon the respondents representations/legal notice and he would be satisfied if the writ petition were to be disposed of with a direction to the concerned authority to examine the claim of the petitioner.

Submission advanced by counsel is found to be just and

reasonable.

In view of the above and without even ascertaining the correctness of the averments made in the petition, the same is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.5 i.e. the Executive Engineer, Construction Division, PWD, B&R Branch, Malerkotla to examine the claim of the petitioner in the light of the legal notice dated 11.01.2021 (Annexure P-3) and to take a final decision thereupon within a period of six weeks from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order.

Needless to observe that if the payments are found due, the same would be released to the petitioner without any further delay.

Petition disposed of.

(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	Yes/No