

COCp-571-2021

Date of Decision: 04.03.2021.

Mikha Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

Sukhjit Pal Singh

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE B. S. WALIA

Present : Mr. Sanjeev Kumar Arora, Advocate for the petitioner.

B. S. WALIA, J (VC)

1. Case is being taken up for hearing through Video Conferencing due to Covid-19 pandemic.

2. Instant petition has been filed for initiating action against the respondent under the Contempt of Courts Act, 1971 for failure to decide legal notice dated 11.02.2020, in intentional and willful defiance of order dated 10.11.2020, in CWP-19019-2020.

2. At the outset, Mr. Navdeep Chhabra, DAG, Punjab, puts in appearance on behalf of the respondent and on instructions from Director Public Instruction (SE), Punjab states that non compliance was not intentional but due to administrative exigencies on account of circumstances prevailing on account of coronavirus pandemic but that compliance would be done within six weeks and decision taken on the legal notice dated 11.02.2020, would be communicated to the petitioner within one week thereafter.

5. In view of the statement of learned DAG, Punjab, I am of the view that no action is required to be taken on the Contempt Petition at this stage. Accordingly, the contempt petition is disposed of as not calling for

an application for revival of the Contempt Petition if compliance is not made by the respondent within six weeks while making it clear that in case an application for revival is moved, serious view would be taken in the matter.

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

(B.S. WALIA)
JUDGE