

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

CWP No. 7693 of 2020

DATE OF DECISION : 18.03.2021

Jasbir Singh

...Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA

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

Ms. Sunint Kaur, AAG, Punjab.

(Presence marked through video conference).

ARUN MONGA, J. (ORAL)

Petition herein, inter alia, for seeking issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to renew the transport Driving License, which the petitioner has applied to get from the department of transport.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner applied online for renewal of his driving license. on the official website of transport department vide Application No. 2233789619 dated 25.07.2019. Application was accepted after scrutiny of documents by the RTA Office, Ludhiana. Photograph and signature of the petitioner were taken on 02.08.2019. Acknowledgment slip was also issued to him, but till date the petitioner has not received his renewed driving license. He visited the office of RTA Office, Ludhiana many times but to no avail. In these circumstances he also moved

representation dated 03.02.2020 but the same has not been adverted till date.

Hence, the petition.

3. On the other hand, learned State counsel submits that petitioner was directed to go through the Refreshers Course, which is a pre-requisite for seeking transport license, but he has not done so.

4. Having heard rival contentions of both the learned counsels for the parties, the long and short of the lis herein is merely a dispute with regard to the petitioner not having gone for the Refreshers course, despite having been asked to do so by the competent authority, as a pre-requisite to seek transport license.

5. Learned counsel for the petitioner disputes that the petitioner ever got such an intimation, while on the other hand, learned State counsel controverts the said submission.

6. Be that as it may, the petitioner shall be allowed to undertake the Refreshers course, on the competent authority being approached by him, within a period of 15 days from today. In case the said Refreshers course is not available in the coming days, as and when such a Refreshers course is conducted, the petitioner shall be given an opportunity to participate in the same after being communicated the same in writing, at the address provided by him.

7. The writ petition stands disposed of accordingly.

MARCH 18, 2021

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(ARUN MONGA)

JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned :

Yes/No

Whether reportable :

Yes/No