

MANPREET SINGH

... PETITIONER

VS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

... RESPONDENTS

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JITENDRA CHAUHAN  
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIVEK PURI**

Present: Mr. Jastej Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Vivek Saini, Additional Advocate General, Punjab.

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**JITENDRA CHAUHAN , J. (ORAL)**

The matter has been taken up through video conferencing in the light of the pandemic Covid-19 situation and as per instructions.

Prayer in the present petition filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India is for issuance of a writ of mandamus directing the respondent No.1 to either decide the appeal dated 04.11.2020 (Annexure P-8) immediately or to decide the prayer for stay of the impugned order dated 28.10.2020 (Annexure P-7) passed by respondent No.2

States that the matter is coming up for hearing before respondent No.1 on 13.05.2021. Learned counsel refers to order dated 22.09.2020 (Annexure P-10) and order dated 29.10.2020 (Annexure P-11) wherein learned State counsel had made a statement that till final decision in the 2<sup>nd</sup> appeal is taken, the tender proceedings that are pending before the authorities, shall not be finalised, though, process in respect of the same would go on.

Heard.

We are not inclined to issue notice of motion at this stage. However, a complete set of paper-book has been supplied to the learned State counsel.

In this view of the matter, respondent No.1-Secretary, Food, Civil Supplies, Consumer Affairs and Food Processing, Punjab Secretariat, Chandigarh is directed to conclude the hearing expeditiously as per law and shall also assess the impact of the statement made by learned State counsel before this Court as reflected in Annexure P-10 and Annexure P-11.

Disposed of accordingly.

**[JITENDRA CHAUHAN]**  
**JUDGE**

**[VIVEK PURI]**  
**JUDGE**

**06.05.2021**  
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*Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No*  
*Whether reportable : Yes/No*