

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA ATCHANDIGARH

CWP-10526-2021 (O&M).

Date of Decision: June 28, 2021

M/S. YORK BUILDERS PVT. LTD.

..... PETITIONER(s)

Versus

THE STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

..... RESPONDENT(s)

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE LISA GILL

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

Mr. Sahil Sharma, D.A.G., Punjab,
for respondents no.1 , 2 and 4.

Ms. Deepali Puri, Advocate
for respondent no.3.

LISA GILL, J.

This matter is being taken up for hearing through video conferencing due to the outbreak of pandemic, COVID-19.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner is engaged in carrying out various works for government agencies/departments. Work in question has been carried out and completed to the satisfaction of the authorities. Upon completion of work allotted to petitioner, payment was released but security and earnest money has neither been adjusted nor released to petitioner. Learned counsel submits that legal notice dated 07.04.2021 (Annexure P8) was served upon respondents but to no avail.

At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioner restricts his prayer for a decision on the legal notice dated 07.04.2021 (Annexure P8), in a time bound manner.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Sahil Sharma, D.A.G., Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondents no.1, 2 and 4. At the asking of the Court, Ms. Deepali Puri, Advocate, accepts notice on behalf of respondent no.3. Advance copy of the writ petition stand served. Learned counsel for the State does not raise any serious objection to the limited prayer addressed.

Keeping in view the facts and circumstances of this case but without any expression of opinion on the merits of the matter, this petition is disposed of with a direction to the competent authority to consider and decide legal notice dated 07.04.2021 (Annexure P8), within a period of two months from receipt of certified copy of this order. In case, any amount is found due towards the petitioner, necessary action be taken within six weeks thereafter, failing which petitioner would be entitled to interest @ 6%.

Petition is disposed of accordingly.

28.06.2021

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(LISA GILL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether reportable: Yes/No