

CWP-16225-2021

Date of decision : August 23, 2021

Anand Kumar Chopra

.....Petitioner

Versus

The State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE LISA GILL

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

LISA GILL, J.

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

Petitioner, in this writ petition, claims payment of second and final bill, bank guarantee as well as refund of security deducted from first running bill.

It is submitted that there is no dispute regarding completion of work to the satisfaction of the authorities or payment to be released. It is further submitted that despite serving legal notice dated 19.07.2021 (Annexure P3) upon the respondents, no action is being taken.

At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioner restricts the prayer for a direction that legal notice dated 19.07.2021 (Annexure P3), be decided by the authorities in a time bound manner.

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 decide legal notice dated 19.07.2021 (Annexure P3), within a period of three months from receipt of certified copy of this order. Amount, if any, found due to the petitioner be released within six weeks thereafter. In case of an order adverse to the petitioner, same be by way of speaking order.

Petition is disposed of accordingly.

August 23, 2021
rts

(Lisa Gill)
Judge

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