

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CWP-18150-2021

Date of decision : September 14, 2021

Pardeep Kumar

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana and others

....Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE LISA GILL

Present: Mr. Puran Singh Rana, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Ashish Yadav, Addl. AG, Haryana.

LISA GILL, J.

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

Prayer in this petition is for directing the respondents to release the allegedly admitted payment due towards the petitioner including security amounting to Rs.11,79,258/-, with interest at the rate of 15% per annum w.e.f. the amount became due till its actual payment.

Petitioner claims to be a Government Contractor. He was allotted work of construction of new building and structural upgradation for water testing District Level PHED Laboratory building at Jind. 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 submitting representation dated 15.06.2021 (Annexure P3) to the respondents, no action is being taken.

At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioner restricts the prayer for a direction that representation dated 15.06.2021 (Annexure P3), be decided by the authorities in a time bound manner.

Notice of motion.

Mr.Ashish Yadav, Addl. AG, Haryana accepts notice on behalf of the respondents and does not raise 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 decide representation dated 15.06.2021 (Annexure P3), within a period of two 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.

September 14, 2021

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(Lisa Gill)
Judge

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No