

CWP-22638-2020

Date of decision : January 29, 2021

M/S N.S CONSTRUCTION CO.

.....Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

....Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE LISA GILL

Present: Mr. Chirag Girdhar, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Abhay Pal Singh Gill, AAG, Punjab.

LISA GILL, J.

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

It is submitted that work for construction/renewal of certain roads was allotted to the petitioner by the respondent – department. Work in question, it is submitted, has been completed to the satisfaction of the authorities and there is no dispute or complaint regarding the same. Bills regarding the same have also been passed but payment thereof is not being released despite legal notice dated 20.11.2020 (Annexure P3) being served upon the respondent.

At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioner restricts the prayer for a direction that legal notice dated 20.11.2020 (Annexure P3), be decided by the authorities in a time bound manner.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Abhay Pal Singh Gill, AAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the respondent – State. He does not raise any 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 legal notice 20.11.2020 (Annexure P3), within a period of two months from receipt of certified copy of this order. The amount found due to the petitioners be released within four weeks thereafter.

Petition is disposed of accordingly.

January 29, 2021
Rts

(Lisa Gill)
Judge

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No