

[132] IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

COCN No.417 of 2022 (O&M)

Date of Decision : 25.04.2022

Malkiat Singh and others

...Petitioners

versus

Ajoy Sharma, IAS, Principal Secretary to
Govt. of Punjab and another

....Respondents

Coram : Hon'ble Mr. Justice B.S. Walia

Present : Mr. Shahsi Bhushan Nagpal, Advocate for the petitioners.
Mr. Aditya Sharda, Asstt. A.G., Punjab.

B.S. Walia, J. (Oral)

[1] Prayer in the petition is for initiating action against the respondents for intentional and willful defiance of order (Annexure P-1) dated 14.12.2021 in CWP No.25378 of 2021.

[2] A perusal of order (Annexure P-1) reveals that CWP No.25378 of 2021 was disposed of by directing the official respondents to consider legal notice dated 31.10.2020 as representation of the petitioners and to decide the same in accordance with law by passing a speaking order, preferably within 01 month from the date of receipt of certified copy of the order and in case it was found that there was no impediment for the release of payment, the same be released to the petitioners in accordance with law without any delay.

[3] Notice has yet not been issued in the instant case.

[4] However, learned Asstt. AG, Punjab has produced copy of order dated 24.03.2022, rejecting the representation / legal notice dated

31.10.2020. The same is taken on record. Copy thereof supplied to learned counsel for the petitioners, who states that in the circumstances, the petitioners do not press the instant petition and may be permitted to withdraw the same with liberty to challenge order dated 24.03.2022 by way of appropriate proceedings in accordance with law.

[5] In view of the position noted above, as well as statement of learned counsel for the petitioners, the contempt petition is *disposed of* as not calling for any action against the respondents under the Contempt of Courts Act, 1971, while granting liberty to the petitioners, as prayed for.

(B.S. Walia)
Judge

25.04.2022
'Rajneesh'

<i>Whether speaking/ reasoned</i>	:	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether reportable</i>	:	<i>Yes/No</i>