

CWP-12925-2022 (O&M)
Decided on 08.07.2022

BADAN SINGH

...Petitioner

Versus

DAKSHIN HARYANA BIJLI VITRAN NIGAM LIMITED AND
OTHERS

...Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKURPresent:- Mr. Abhimanyu Singh, Advocate
for the petitioner.Mr. B. R. Mahajan, Sr. Advocate with
Mr. Ashish Yadav, Advocate for respondents No. 1 to 3.**JAISHREE THAKUR, J. (Oral)**

This is a petition that has been filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ, order or direction in the nature of mandamus, for the issuance of direction to the respondents-department to provide electricity connection for agricultural use to the petitioner.

Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner would submit that an application duly filled in, has already been submitted on 16th July 2021, but as on date no electricity connection has been provided, which is causing a huge financial loss to the petitioner. Counsel would further submit that he would be satisfied in case the said application is decided expeditiously.

At this stage, learned counsel for respondents No. 1 to 3 seeks time to file reply.

In view of the limited prayer made for the decision of the application for grant of electricity connection, this Court does not deem it appropriate to allow any time to the respondents No. 1 to 3 for filing the reply. However, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to the official respondents to decide the said application that is already pending with them since 16th July 2021. Respondents are hereby directed to decide the said application within a period of four weeks from today as they are already on notice, in accordance with law and convey the decision to the petitioner. In case of failure to do so, the officer responsible for the lapse would be liable to costs of Rs.20,000/- from his personal pocket, to be deposited with the Punjab and Haryana High Court Advocates Welfare Fund.

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JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned :	Yes	No
Whether Reportable :	Yes	No