

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

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Civil Writ Petition No.35899 of 2019 (O&M)
Date of Decision: September 27th, 2022

Chandro Devi

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana and others

...Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ALOK JAIN**

Present: Mr. Ashish Aggarwal, Senior Advocate
with Ms. Aashma Aggarwal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Deepak Bhardwaj, Deputy Advocate General, Haryana.

AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH, J. (ORAL)

In the reply which has been filed by respondents No.1 to 5, it has been stated that the orders passed by the Director General, Mines and Geology, Haryana-respondent No.2, is appealable under Rule 109 of the Haryana Minor Mineral Concession, Stocking, Transportation of Minerals and Prevention of Illegal Mining Rules, 2012, before the Administrative Secretary of the Department of Mines and Geology.

The petitioner, therefore, may avail of the remedy of filing an appeal before the competent authority under Rule 109 of the 2012 Rules, referred to above.

Learned senior counsel has pointed out that on 29.01.2020, the counsel appearing on behalf of the respondents, on instructions from the Mining Officer had given statement that the auction of the minor minerals would not be carried out. The said interim order may be continued as the petitioner would file an appeal within a period of ten days from today.

In the light of the statement made by learned senior counsel for the petitioner, we dispose of the writ petition with liberty to the petitioner to

file an appeal before the Administrative Secretary of the Department of

Mines and Geology within a period of ten days.

In case such an appeal is filed within the period as stated above i.e. ten days from today, the interim order will continue till the disposal of the appeal.

In the light of the disposal of the writ petition, pending applications also stand disposed of.

**(AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH)
JUDGE**

September 27th, 2022
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**(ALOK JAIN)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/~~No~~

Whether Reportable: ~~Yes~~/No