

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

**CWP No.17361 of 2023 (O&M)
Date of Decision :09.08.2023**

Arunjot Singh Sodhi

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

..... Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE ARUN PALLI, JUDGE
HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE JAGMOHAN BANSAL, JUDGE**

Present : Mr. Vivek K. Thakur, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Arjun Sheoran, DAG, Punjab.

ARUN PALLI, J. (Oral):

The petitioner has prayed for a writ in the nature of certiorari to quash tender document, dated 20.07.2023 (P7), for selection of distributor for Sale of Punjab State Lottery Scheme being arbitrary, mala fide and violative of Articles 14 and 19(1)(g) of the Constitution of India. He submits that the tender conditions are formed with an ulterior motive to oust the eligible competitors and are thus, unsustainable. In reference to clause-3, which deals with Pre Bid Conference, it is urged that all interested bidders were required to submit/sent their queries in relation to bid document or the bidding process up to 28.07.2023 so as to participate in Pre Bid Conference on 01.08.2023. The precise grievance of the petitioner is that even though he had submitted queries/suggestions in sync with the said clause and a considerable time has elapsed but the matter has not made any tangible progress.

Upon being served with an advance copy of the petition, Mr. Arjun Sheoran, DAG, Punjab, present in Court, submits that the concerns/grievances raised by the petitioner, vide Annexure (P-9), have since been redressed by the competent authority and the decision in this regard has been uploaded on the website of the department. In any case, he submits that a formal decision taken by the authorities shall also be communicated to the petitioner, at the earliest, maximum, within ten days (10) from today.

Faced with this, learned counsel for the petitioner fairly submits that nothing substantive survives in the petition and the same be disposed of as having been rendered infructuous, in terms of the statement of the learned State counsel.

Ordered accordingly.

(ARUN PALLI)
JUDGE

(JAGMOHAN BANSAL)
JUDGE

09.08.2023
Manoj Bhutani

Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No