

117

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

CWP-25257-2023

Date of decision: 08.11.2023

M/s The New United Transport Private Limited

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS BAHL

Present: Ms. Kusum Raj, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Kunal Muthreja, AAG, Punjab
for the respondents.

VIKAS BAHL, J. (ORAL)

1. This is a Civil Writ Petition filed under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing respondent Nos.3 and 4 to permit the buses to operate as per the approved joint time table approved on 13.10.2023 (Annexure P-8).

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that for the grievances raised by the petitioner in the present writ petition, the petitioner would submit representation to the competent authority of the respondents and has prayed that in case of the petitioner doing so, the competent authority may kindly be directed to take a decision on the same in a time bound manner and in case the pleas raised by the petitioner are found to be meritorious then to grant necessary relief in accordance with law.

3. Learned State Counsel has submitted that the competent authority of the respondents would consider the said representation as and when filed by the petitioner in accordance with law, as expeditiously as possible preferably within a period of four weeks from the date of receiving the said representation.

4. Keeping in view the abovesaid facts and circumstances, the present Civil Writ Petition is disposed of with direction to the competent authority of the respondents to consider the representation as and when filed by the petitioner in accordance with law within a period of four weeks from the date of receiving the said representation and in case, the pleas raised by the petitioner are found to be meritorious then the competent authority would grant necessary relief, in accordance with law and in case, the competent authority is of the opinion that the pleas raised by the petitioner are not meritorious then a speaking order rejecting the same be passed within a period of four weeks from the date of receiving the said representation.

5. This Court has not opined on the merits of the case and the competent authority of the respondents would consider the case of the petitioner independently, in accordance with law.

08.11.2023*Pawan***(VIKAS BAHL)
JUDGE****Whether speaking/reasoned:-****Yes/No****Whether reportable:-****Yes/No**