

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

CWP-29187-2022

Date of decision: 26th May, 2023

Parveen Kumar

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana and others

...Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN

Present: Mr. Wazir Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.
Mr. Sharad Aggarwal, Deputy Advocate General, Haryana.
Mr. Padamkant Dwivedi, Advocate for respondents No. 2 to 6.

AVNEESH JHINGAN, J (Oral):

1. This writ petition is filed seeking directions to the respondents to preserve the CCTV footage till the information sought by the petitioner under Right to Information Act, 2005 (for short 'RTI Act') is supplied.

2. The brief facts are that the petitioner vide application dated 13th October, 2022 sought information from State Public Information Officer cum Secretary, Market Committee (for short 'SPIO'). The petitioner deposited the charges of ₹1668/-, ₹14,500/- and ₹38,000/- demanded by SPIO cum Secretary, Kunjpura, SPIO Pehowa and Secretary, Market Committee, Ladwa, respectively. The Secretary-cum-EO Market Committee, Ladwa vide communication dated 2nd December, 2022 asked the petitioner to provide pen drive and hard disk for recording of the information sought.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner fairly submits that during the pendency of the writ petition first appeal was preferred and the same is pending.

4. Learned counsel for respondent No.5 submits that CCTV footage is being copied and almost 70 per cent is done.
5. The issue with regard to the supply of information is pending in appeal, the directions sought in the writ petition are as an interim measure. As per the stand taken by learned counsel for the respondents they are in process of supplying the information. The relief sought in the petition can be effectively prayed before the first appellate authority.
6. In view of the above, no further directions are called for. The petition is disposed of.
7. Needless to say that petitioner would be at liberty to avail remedies in accordance with law including making a prayer before the first appellate authority for interim directions to the respondents.
8. Since the main case has been disposed of, pending application, if any is rendered infructuous.

[AVNEESH JHINGAN]
JUDGE

26th May, 2023

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| 1. Whether speaking/ reasoned | : | Yes / No |
| 2. Whether reportable | : | Yes / No |