

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

**CWP-PIL-94-2023(O&M)
Date of Decision:18.12.2023**

Samaj Sudhar Society (Regd.) Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others Respondents

**CORAM : HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE RITU BAHRI, ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE NIDHI GUPTA**

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

Ms.Anu Pal, Sr.DAG, Punjab.

RITU BAHRI, ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE(ORAL)

1. Prayer in this petition is for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to prevent and stop the illegal practice of selling of lottery tickets in bundles as the same leads to evasion of taxes by the distributor thereby causing huge loss to public exchequer. Further prayer is for issuance of directions to the respondents to decide the representation of the petitioner dated 19.10.2023 (Annexure P-2).

2. Learned counsel for the State, on instructions, has informed the Court that the tender of Rs. 48 Crores has been floated now and in the year 2022-23 the net revenue earned was Rs. 10.49 Crores. She has given details of the tenders floated w.e.f. 2007 and there has been down fall since then.

3. Keeping in view the instructions received by learned State counsel, this petition is being disposed of by giving directions to respondents No. 3 and 4 to look into the detailed representation (Annexure P-2) of the petitioner and pass a speaking order thereon expeditiously.

**(RITU BAHRI)
ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE**

**(NIDHI GUPTA)
JUDGE**

18.12.2023

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Whether Reasoned/Speaking : Yes/No
Whether Reportable : Yes/No