

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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CR-23-2023

DATE OF DECISION: 10.01.2023

SURAJ BHAN

... Petitioner (s)

Versus

MANAGING DIRECTOR DHBVN AND ORS

.. Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Parminder Singh Kanwar, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Deepak Balyan, Advocate for the respondents

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner had challenged the order dated 03.11.2022 (Annexure P-6) passed by the Appellate Court, upholding the order of the trial Court (Annexure P-4) to pay 50% of outstanding electricity bill amounting to Rs.2,64,897/- raised by the respondent/DHBVNL on 25.08.2020 (Annexure P-1).

Learned counsel for the respondents submits that the case of the petitioner has been considered for waiver as per their scheme and the petitioner was asked to pay an amount of Rs.92,540/- in full and final settlement of his dues but he had refused to accept the same.

Heard.

The petitioner is stated to be a private electrician in occupation of a house having three rooms only. It would be in the interest of justice and equity if he is asked to pay 25% of the outstanding amount during the pendency of the suit.

Consequently, the petition is partly allowed. The impugned order of the trial Court is modified to the extent that instead of petitioner paying 50% of the outstanding amount he would pay 25% of the outstanding amount within a period of one month from now.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

10.01.2023
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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes / No
Whether reportable	:	Yes / No