

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

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2023:PHHC:159783-DB

CWP-27954-2023

Date of Decision: 13.12.2023

Swarandeep Singh Sidhu

.....Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondent(s)

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE G.S.SANDHAWALIA
HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE LAPITA BANERJI**

Present: Mr. Raj Kaushik, Advocate, for the petitioner.

G.S.SANDHAWALIA, J. (Oral)

1. The present writ petition has been filed under Articles 226 and 227 of the Constitution of India praying for decision on the application filed by the petitioner dated 15.07.2022 followed by legal notice dated 16.09.2023 (Annexures P-2 and P-4) for grant of exemption from payment of Motor Vehicles Tax in respect of Stage Carriage Permit No.124/Reg/SC/RTA/BTI/22. The reason for the request is that the vehicle in question has remained idle and remained un-operational as the permit had not been made functional due to non-grant of timings for the route Moga to Bathinda via Baghapurana, Nihal Singh Wala, Rampura.

2. Mr. Saurabh Kapoor, Addl. A.G., Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the respondents-State.

3. Keeping in view the limited relief and the fact that the permit which has been appended is valid till 05.07.2027 (Annexure P-1) and the decision making is incomplete, we do not feel it appropriate to call upon the State to file reply as it will only delay the decision making process.

4. Accordingly, the writ petition stands disposed of with directions to respondent No.3 to decide the legal notice dated 16.09.2023 (Annexure P-4) within a period of 6 weeks from the date of receipt of certified copy of the order.

(G.S. SANDHAWALIA)
JUDGE

13.12.2023

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(LAPITA BANERJI)
JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking

Yes

Whether reportable

No