

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

(111)

CWP-8722-2024

Date of decision: - 20.04.2024

M/s Banda Bahadur Highways Pvt. Ltd.**....Petitioner****Versus****State of Punjab and others****.....Respondents****CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS BAHL**

Present:- Mr. Raj Kaushik, Advocate, and
Mr. Piyush Aggarwal, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. TPS Walia, AAG, Punjab.

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 the respondents to consider and decide the pending application dated 28.05.2018 (Annexure P-3) followed by various applications as also the legal notices, the last being of dated 05.02.2024 (Annexure P-8) for the grant of route permit on the route Ghaggar Bridge to Ludhiana via Rajpura, Khanna.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that for the grievance raised by the petitioner, the petitioner had given a legal notice dated 05.02.2024 (Annexure P-8) and at this stage, the petitioner would be satisfied, in case, competent authority of respondent No.1-State considers the same, in accordance with law, within a specified time frame

and in case, the plea raised by the petitioner is found to be meritorious, then, grant the appropriate relief to the petitioner.

3. Learned counsel appearing for the respondents-State has submitted that competent authority of respondent No.1-State would consider the said legal notice dated 05.02.2024 (Annexure P-8), filed by the petitioner, in accordance with law and the same would be done within a period of six weeks from the date of certified copy of this order.

4. Keeping in view the above-said facts and circumstances, the present petition is disposed of, with a direction to competent authority of respondent No.1-State to consider the legal notice dated 05.02.2024 (Annexure P-8) filed by the petitioner within a period of six weeks from the date of receipt of the certified copy of this order and in case, competent authority of respondent No.1-State is of the view that the plea raised by the petitioner is meritorious, then, the appropriate relief be granted to the petitioner, as expeditiously as possible. In case, competent authority of respondent No.1-State is of the view that the plea raised by the petitioner is meritless, then, a speaking order rejecting the claim be passed within the aforesaid period of six weeks.

5. It is made clear that this Court has not opined on the merits of the case and competent authority of respondent No.1-State would consider and decide the matter independently, in accordance with law.

April 20, 2024

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**(VIKAS BAHL)
JUDGE**

Whether reasoned/speaking?
Whether reportable?

Yes/No
Yes/No