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

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**CWP-12103-2024
Date of Decision: 22.05.2024**

RAMESH KUMAR

... Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VINOD S. BHARDWAJ.

Present: Mr. G. S. Jossan, Advocate
for the petitioner.

VINOD S. BHARDWAJ, J. (ORAL)

Prayer in the present petition is for directing the respondents to take prompt action on the representations dated 15.04.2024 (Annexure P-5) and 23.04.2024 (Annexures P-6 and P-7) submitted by the petitioner.

Learned counsel for the petitioner *inter alia* contends that after the release of the electricity connection, certain sundry charges have been sent to the petitioner in the running account and that he has already submitted various representations seeking explanation as to how the sundry charges are recoverable from the petitioner; but the respondents have not responded to the same nor have they taken any action so far. He refers to the PSERC (Electricity Supply Code and Related Matters) Regulations, 2014 which provide that in the event of complaint is submitted by the consumer to the notified office, such billing dispute is to be looked into primarily by the office and a decision is to be taken thereupon within a period of 24 hours, if no additional information is required and within a period of one week, if additional information is required.

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He further submits that the needful has not been done despite submission of representation dated 15.04.2024 (Annexure P-5) and that he would be satisfied at this juncture, in case the respondent No.3- Sub Divisional Officer, Ferozepur Cantt., PSPCL, Ltd. is directed to consider and decide the representation dated 15.04.2024 (Annexure P-5) in a time bound manner.

Notice of motion.

Ms. Harpriya Khaneka, DAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the respondents and does not oppose the prayer made by the learned counsel for the petitioner.

Accordingly, in view of the above; with the consent of the parties and without commenting anything on the merits of the case, the present petition is disposed of while directing respondent No.3 to consider and decide the representation dated 15.04.2024 (Annexure P-5) by passing a reasoned and speaking order after affording an opportunity of hearing to the respective parties within a period of two weeks of the receipt of certified copy of this order.

Petition stands disposed of accordingly.

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(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

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