

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CWP-17335-2023(O&M)
Date of decision: 22.04.2024

Suresh Kumar
... Petitioner
Versus
State of Punjab and others
... Respondents

CORAM: HON’BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN PALLI
HON’BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKRAM AGGARWAL

Present: Mr. Shiv Kumar, Advocate,
for the petitioner.
Mr. Shekhar Verma, Addl. AG, Punjab.
Mr. M.L. Saggar, Senior Advocate, with
Ms. Armaan Saggar, Advocate, for respondent No.4.

ARUN PALLI, J. (Oral)

Concededly, the contract in question was awarded for a period of one year, i.e. 01.04.2023 to 31.03.2024. It is not in dispute either that respondent No.4 (Dinesh Kumar), who was assigned the work, has executed the contract. And even the period for which the work was awarded, is long over. Although, pursuant to a decision taken by the State Government, the contracts assigned in this regard to successful tenderers, have been extended for a period of three months. Expiring on 30.06.2024. Accordingly, respondent No.4 is executing the work for the extended period as well.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that action of the respondent-authorities is palpably erroneous, and respondent No.4 was permitted to execute the work for an oblique purpose. But be that as it may, he submits that as the petition has lost its efficacy with the efflux of time, the same be disposed of as having been rendered infructuous. However, the issues

that have been raised in the petition be kept open to be examined in appropriate proceedings.

Accordingly, the petition is disposed of as having been rendered infructuous. However, the questions of law and the issues that are sought to be raised in the petition are kept open for adjudication in appropriate proceedings.

(Arun Palli)
Judge

(Vikram Aggarwal)
Judge

22.04.2024
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Whether speaking / reasoned:	YES/NO
Whether Reportable:	YES/NO