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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

Date of Decision :18.05.2024
CWP No.18547 of 2023 (O&M)

Rakesh KumarPetitioner

Versus
State of Punjab and others Respondents

CWP No.18718 of 2023 (O&M)

Roshan Lal and CompanyPetitioner

Versus
State of Punjab and others Respondents

CWP No.18745 of 2023 (O&M)

Roshan Lal and CompanyPetitioner

Versus
State of Punjab and others Respondents

CWP No.24806 of 2023 (O&M)

Roshan LalPetitioner

Versus
State of Punjab and others Respondents

CWP No.19827 of 2023 (O&M)

Anish KumarPetitioner

Versus
State of Punjab and others Respondents

CWP No.20006 of 2023 (O&M)

Davinder Singh MankotiaPetitioner

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CWP No.22820 of 2023 (O&M)

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CWP No.22821 of 2023 (O&M)

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CWP No.24352 of 2023 (O&M)

Satnam SinghPetitioner
Versus
State of Punjab and others Respondents

CWP No.20971 of 2023 (O&M)

Jagdev SinghPetitioner
Versus
State of Punjab and others Respondents

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

Present : Mr. Gauravjit Singh Patwalia, Advocate with
Ms. Lagan Kaur Sidhu, Advocate
In CWP-18547-2023;
Mr. Karmanbir Singh Kharbanda, Advocate
in CWP-18718 & 18745-2023;
Mr. Gaurav Chopra, Sr. Advocate with
Ms. Himani Jamwal, Advocate in CWP-24806, 19827-2023;
Ms. Armaan Saggar, Advocate in CWP-20006, 22820, 22821-2023;
Mr. Vishal Mehta, Advocate for
Ms. Eliza Gupta, Advocate in CWP-24352-2023;
Mr. Nitin Kaushal, Advocate and
Mr. Saurabh Chawla, Advocate in CWP-20971-2023;
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in CWP-24806-2023.
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Mr. Nitin Kaushal, Advocate and
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CWPs-22820 & 20006-2023.
Ms. Armaan Saggar, Advocate for respondent No.4
in CWP-24352-2023.

ARUN PALLI, J. (Oral):

Learned counsel for the parties are *ad idem* that in all these petitions, the contract that was entered into between the parties expired on 31.03.2024. However, pursuant to the subsequent decision taken by the State Government dated 13.03.2024, the said contract has been further extended for a period of three months, and, thus, will come to an end on 30.06.2024. It is submitted that either pursuant to the interim orders passed by this Court or the orders that are being assailed in these petitions, one party or the other is continuing to execute the work and, therefore, practically, nothing substantive survives for consideration. Accordingly, it is submitted that, in the given circumstances, all these petitions can be disposed of with an understanding/arrangement that those of the parties that are executing the contract to date would continue to operate till 30.06.2024. However, all the questions/concerns/grievances that have been raised or arise for consideration in this bunch of petitions, be kept open, to be examined in appropriate proceedings. Further, in the event, the State Government takes a decision to grant further extension beyond 30.06.2024, and if the occasion so arises, the



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party aggrieved would be at liberty to re-approach this Court or avail such other remedies as shall be admissible in law.

Accordingly, in the wake of the position sketched out above, all these petitions are disposed of in terms of the statements made by learned counsel for the parties. And, as indicated earlier, all the questions/concerns/grievances raised in each of these petitions are kept open to be examined in appropriate proceedings.

(ARUN PALLI)
JUDGE

(VIKRAM AGGARWAL)
JUDGE

18.05.2024
Manoj Bhutani

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