



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

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CWP-13105-2020

Date of Decision : **January 16, 2025**

ARTI MEHTA

.....Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDEEP TIWARI

Present : Mr. Aditya Dassan, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Sahil R. Bakshi, AAG, Punjab
for respondents No.1 & 3 to 5.

Mr. Edward George, Advocate
for respondent No.2-PSPCL.

Ms. Ekta Thakur, Advocate
for respondent No.6.

KULDEEP TIWARI, J. (Oral)

1. Through the instant petition, as cast under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India, prayer is made for issuance of mandamus upon the respondents concerned not to install the electricity wires and meters in the private property of the petitioner illegally, without his consent.

2. The instant petition is a misconceived motion, inasmuch as, despite the petitioner being seized of an alternate and efficacious statutory remedy for redressal of his grievance, yet he has sidetracked the said remedy and has straightway accessed this Court, by way of instituting the present

petition. Therefore, the instant petition is **dismissed**, however, liberty is reserved to the petitioner to avail the alternative statutory remedy(ies) before the appropriate authority/forum concerned for redressal of his grievance.

3. In case the petitioner avails the remedy by filing apt motion along with stay application before the authority concerned, the latter shall decide the application for stay sympathetically.

4. Interim order already granted by the co-ordinate Bench of this Court vide order dated 4.9.2020 is extended for another one month from today.

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(KULDEEP TIWARI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned. : Yes/No
Whether Reportable. : Yes/No