

**CWP-14378-2026****-1-****IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH****121****CWP-14378-2026****Date of Decision: 18.05.2026****M/s Goondli Construction****...Petitioner****Versus****State of Haryana and others****...Respondents****CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAGMOHAN BANSAL****Present: - Mr. Balraj Singh, Advocate for the petitioner****Ms. Svaneel Jaswal, Additional Advocate General, Haryana****Mr. Tushar Kaushik, Advocate****for Mr. Ravish Kaushik, Advocate for respondent Nos.4 to 6***********JAGMOHAN BANSAL, J. (Oral)**

1. The petitioner through instant petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India is seeking direction to respondents to release payment with respect to work carried out by it for the respondent along with interest.

2. Learned State counsel submits that it is a case of enhancement of value of contract beyond 10%. The matter was referred to respondent No.2-Director, Directorate of Urban Local Bodies Department, Haryana and is under consideration. The needful would be done in accordance with law.

3. The respondent has not authority to withhold legitimate dues of the petitioner. The payment cannot be withheld on the ground of movement of file from one office to another. Respondent No.2-Director, Directorate of Urban Local Bodies Department, Haryana is hereby directed to look into the matter and ensure release of admitted liability within 3 months from today.

If admitted liability is not released within aforesaid period, the respondent



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would be liable to pay interest @ 9% per annum from the expiry of said period. The petitioner is at liberty to approach appropriate authority *qua* disputed amount, if any.

(JAGMOHAN BANSAL)
JUDGE

18.05.2026

Mohit Kumar

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