



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

**CWP-15342-2026(O&M)
Date of decision: 18.05.2026**

Vishal Bhardwaj and another

... Petitioners

Versus

State of Haryana and others

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAGMOHAN BANSAL

Present: Mr. Sunil Polist, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

Ms. Savneel Jaswal, Additional Advocate General, Haryana.

JAGMOHAN BANSAL, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioners through instant petition under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India are seeking direction to respondents to release payment with respect to work carried out by them for the respondents along with interest.

2. Learned State counsel, on instructions from Mr. Abhishek, Executive Engineer, PHED, Division 1, Kaithal, submits that competent authority would consider petitioners' claim and if any admitted liability is found, it would be discharged within 4 months from today.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that respondents may be subjected to interest @ 12% per annum.

4. In the wake of statement of both sides, the petition stands disposed of with a direction to respondents to release payment to the petitioner within 4 months from today. If payment is not released within aforesaid period, the respondents would be liable to pay interest @ 9% per



annum from the expiry of said period. The petitioners are at liberty to approach appropriate authority *qua* disputed amount, if any.

5. Pending application(s), if any, also stands disposed of.

(JAGMOHAN BANSAL)
JUDGE

May 18, 2026
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Whether speaking / reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable:	Yes/No