

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

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CWP-19195-2026

Date of Decision : July 01, 2026

M/S FAUJI GUN HOUSE

-PETITIONER

V/S

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

-RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDEEP TIWARI

Present: Mr. C.M. Munjal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Sahil R. Bakshi, A.A.G., Punjab.

KULDEEP TIWARI, J. (ORAL)

1. Through the instant writ petition, the petitioner seeks a direction to respondent No.2 to take a final decision on his application dated 02.09.2022 (Annexure P-4) for renewal of arms licence dealership.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the indolent and lackadaisical approach of the licensing authority in deciding the petitioner's application for renewal of arms licence dealership has constrained the petitioner to invoke the writ jurisdiction of this Court. It is, therefore, prayed that a direction be issued to the licensing authority to decide the petitioner's application within a stipulated period.
3. Learned State counsel, who is in receipt of an advance copy of the writ petition and represents the respondents, submits that he has no objection if a direction is issued to the licensing authority to decide the petitioner's application within a time-bound period.
4. In view of the above, this Court deems it appropriate to dispose

of the instant writ petition with a direction to the competent respondent/ licensing authority to decide the petitioner's application for renewal of arms licence dealership, in accordance with law, within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order, after affording the petitioner an adequate opportunity of hearing. In the event the application is rejected, the licensing authority shall pass a reasoned and speaking order, recording in writing the grounds for such refusal, as required under the apposite statutory provisions.

5. **Disposed of accordingly.**

6. However, liberty is reserved to the petitioner to seek revival of the instant writ petition in the event the licensing authority fails to comply with the directions issued hereinabove.

July 01, 2026
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(KULDEEP TIWARI)
JUDGE

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