



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

(104)

COCP-2238-2025

Date of Decision: 15.05.2025

M/s Pankaj Stone Crusher and others

...Petitioners

Versus

Smt. Jaspreet Talwar, IAS and others

...Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKRAM AGGARWAL

Present: Mr. V.P.S. Mithewala, Advocate and
Mr. Harsh Vasu Gupta, Advocate
for he petitioners.

Ms. Shiny Chopra, A.A.G. Punjab.

VIKRAM AGGARWAL, J (ORAL)

1. The present contempt petition has been preferred under Section 12 of the Contempt of Courts Act, 1971 alleging willful disobedience of order dated 06.11.2023 (Annexure P-1) passed by a Division Bench of this Court in CWP No.25074 of 2023.

2. At the outset, learned counsel representing the State of Punjab has furnished a copy of the order dated 08.05.2025 which states as under:-

1. The Hon'ble High Court in CM 15944 of 2023 & CM 15946 of 2023 in CWP No. 19261 of 2023, vide order dated 22.09.2023 order as below:-

"In the meantime and till further orders, no coercive step shall be taken against the members of the petitioner(s)-Association."

2. Subsequently, the honble High Court, in its interim orders dated 30.04.2025 in the matter of COCP 1669 of 2025 in CWP No. 19261 of 2023, has passed the following order:

"The sole issue that arises before this Court is that as to whether after interim order dated 22.09.2023 having

been passed to the effect that till further orders, no coercive steps would be taken against the members of the petitioner(s)-Association, can the respondent insist upon payment of the outstanding amount as a condition precedent for renewal of the licence. In the prima facie opinion of this Court, the respondents are wholly unjustified in raising such a demand."

3. The issue involved in of COCP 1669 of 2025 in CWP No. 19261 of 2023 is only levy of EMF charges. Accordingly, it is hereby ordered that renewal applications of crusher units, which are in default only regarding EMF charges, shall be accepted without insisting on payment of EMF charges. This shall be subject to an undertaking by the concerned units, stating that, if the matter is decided in favor of the State, they will be liable to pay the EMF charges.

4. Furthermore, any crusher unit seeking renewal of registration that has any pending government dues, other than EMF charges, must deposit the assessed outstanding amount with the department. Only then will its application renewal of registration be accepted.

5. All concerned officers are directed to take immediate necessary action accordingly.

3. That being so, learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners do not wish to press the present contempt petition at this stage.

4. Dismissed as not pressed.

(VIKRAM AGGARWAL)
JUDGE

May 15, 2025
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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No
Whether reportable : Yes/No