

HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CWP No. 22735 of 2015

Date of decision: October 21, 2015

Smt. Gur Devi

...Petitioner

Versus

Union Bank of India and ors.

...Respondents

CORAM:HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE HARINDER SINGH SIDHU

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Present: - Mr. Deepak Sonak, Advocate
for the petitioner.

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HARINDER SINGH SIDHU, J.

Late Som Nath, husband of the petitioner, was employed as Peon with the respondent Bank at Kabari Bazar, Ambala Cantt. Unfortunately he died in harness on 11.3.2014. The petitioner after the death of her husband, submitted an application to the respondent-Bank requesting that compassionate appointment be given to her son namely Banti Ram.

In response thereto, the petitioner received a letter dated 8.10.2014 (Annexure P-2) stating that in terms of the applicable Policy, dependents of late Som Nath (the husband of the petitioner), are not eligible for compassionate appointment. It was stated that the petitioner could pursue her application for ex-gratia in lieu of Compassionate appointment and was advised to contact Nodal Regional Office, Chandigarh.

The grievance of the petitioner is that no reason has been disclosed in the aforesaid reply (Annexure P-2) as to why the case of the petitioner is not covered by the policy. The petitioner has thereafter again submitted application (Annexure P-3) requesting that her case for compassionate appointment be considered.

In view of the above, without commenting on the merits of the case, this petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 to look into the representation (Annexure P-3) and consider the claim of the petitioner in accordance with the applicable policy within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order. In case the petitioner's case is rejected, the reasons thereof be communicated to her.

(Harinder Singh Sidhu)
Judge

21.10.2015
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