

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

(220)

FAO-1364-2013

DATE OF DECISION: 24.09.2015

SAVITA AND ORS

.....Appellants

VERSUS

DEVI LAL AND ANR

....Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH

1. Whether Reporters of local papers may be allowed to see the judgement?
2. To be referred to the Reporters or not?
3. Whether the judgment should be reported in the Digest?

Present: Mr. Mohit, Advocate
for Mr. R.A. Sheoran, Advocate
for the appellants.

Mr. Arun Sharma, Advocate
for Mr. T.K. Joshi, Advocate
for the respondents.

AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH, J. (ORAL)

Challenge in this appeal is limited to the extent of the grant of interest by the Commissioner, Employees Compensation Act, 1923, Circle Hissar vide order dated 31.12.2012 whereby the interest has been granted from the date of the passing of the order.

Learned counsel for the appellant submits that the interest is to be granted by the Commissioner on the amount of compensation on passing of 30 days from the date of death of the employee under the Employees, Compensation Act, 1923. In support of this contention, he placed reliance upon the judgment of the

Supreme Court in **Oriental Insurance Company Limited Vs. Siby**

George and Others, 2012 ACJ 2126.

In view of the above, the order dated 31.12.2012 passed by the Commissioner, Employees Compensation Act, 1923 Circle, Hisar is modified to the extent that the interest awarded shall be paid from 30 days after the date of death of the deceased Mahender Singh S/o Narsi Ram Manda.

The appeal stands allowed in the aforesaid terms.

September 24, 2015

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**(AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH)
JUDGE**