

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

FAO No.2782 of 2013 (O&M)

Date of decision: 31.08.2015

United India Insurance Company Limited

.... Appellant

versus

Smt. Raksha Sharma and others

.... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE K. KANNAN

Present: Mr. Sanjiv Pabbi, Advocate,
for the appellant.

Mr. Neeraj Khanna, Advocate,
for respondents 1 and 2.

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K.Kannan, J. (Oral)

1. The appeal is brought at the instance of the Insurance Company complaining that compensation assessed is very high. It was a case of death of a male said to be 26 years of age. He was said to be an agricultural labourer. The claimants were the widowed mother and married sister. The Tribunal has assessed at ₹ 6,58,000/-.

2. I will not find any justification for the Insurance Company to arrive to this court to complain that ₹6,58,000/- for death of a man to be high. The Insurance Company is better advised that the scales of compensation have gone up several times fold and it shall exercise restraint in filing mindless appeals questioning

issues of compensation. We have come by new dispensations of the Supreme Court where loss of love and affection for the parents is taken at ₹1 lakh each, loss to estate is taken as ₹1 lakh and funeral expenses at ₹25,000/-. There is also certitude in the manner of application of multiplier for death of a bachelor which it has been held through the judgment in **Munna Lal Jain and another versus Vipin Kumar Sharma and others-(2015) 6 SCC 347** that the multiplier shall be only with reference to the age of the deceased and not the age of the claimant who is elder to the deceased. The compensation assessed already would even seem to be lower than what was otherwise possible by applying the scales of compensation now ordered. The award is maintained and the appeal is dismissed.

(K.KANNAN)
JUDGE

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