

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CWP No.4523 of 2016
Decided on : 29.03.2016

Vijay Kumar

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab & others

... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE G.S. SANDHAWALIA

Present : Mr.O.S.Batalvi, Advocate, for the petitioner.

G.S. Sandhawalia , J. (Oral)

Petitioner seeks reimbursement/release of medical bills to the tune of Rs.2,14,194/- along with interest @ 18% per annum, which has been incurred by him in FORTIS Hospital, SAS Nagar, Mohali. The claim is based on the notification dated 20.10.2015 (Annexure P2).

It is the case of the petitioner that he retired on the post of Panchayat Officer on 29.02.2012 from the office of Executive Officer, Panchayat Samiti, Pathankot-respondent No.7. He was admitted in the above-said hospital from 19.11.2015 to 27.11.2015, for his treatment and paid the above-said amount from his own pocket. The complete medical record along with bills has been attached as Annexure P1.

Counsel submits that a demand dated 08.01.2016 (Annexure P6) has already been raised upon respondents No.2 & 7, wherein the details of the bills, reimbursement of which has been sought, has been given. It is admitted that most of the payments have been made but amount to the tune of

Rs.2,14,194/- is still pending. He submits that the petitioner would be satisfied if time-bound action is taken on the said representation.

Notice of motion.

Mr.R.S.Sidhu, AAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 6 & 8 apart from respondent No.7. Copy of the paperbook has been supplied to him.

Keeping in view the limited relief sought, this Court does not feel it necessary to ask the respondents to file reply.

Accordingly, without commenting upon the merits of the case regarding the entitlement of the petitioner, the present writ petition is disposed of, with a direction to respondent No.2 to decide the representation dated 08.01.2016 (Annexure P6), within a period of 2 months from the date of receipt of the certified copy of this order. In case the petitioner is found entitled for the said financial benefit, same be reimbursed to him, within a period of one month, thereafter. However, in case the amount is to be denied, a speaking order be passed and the same be conveyed to the petitioner.

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(G.S. SANDHAWALIA)
JUDGE