

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

**LPA No. 411 of 2016 (O&M)**

Date of decision : 16.3.2016

Sandeep Kumar

.. Appellant

versus

Punjab State Power Corporation Limited and others

.. Respondents

**Coram:     Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rajesh Bindal  
              Hon'ble Mr. Justice Harinder Singh Sidhu**

**Present:     Mr. JPS Sidhu, Advocate, for the appellant.**

**Rajesh Bindal, J.**

The appellant having failed before the learned Single Judge whereby his petition seeking appointment on compassionate basis was rejected, has filed the present Letters Patent Appeal. Along with the appeal, an application seeking condonation of 32 days delay in filing thereof, has also been filed.

In the case in hand, father of the appellant was working as Lower Division Clerk with the erstwhile Punjab State Electricity Board now Punjab State Power Corporation Limited (for short, 'the Corporation'). He was missing from 13.5.2006. DDR No. 4 was got registered on 20.5.2006 at Police Station Bhikhi, Tehsil and District Mansa. The appellant passed his matriculation examination in June, 2002, Senior Secondary Examination in June, 2004, and got Masters Degree in Information Technology in May 2012. The request was made for compassionate appointment.

The Corporation vide letter dated 20.8.2008, informed the mother of the appellant that her case for providing financial help shall be considered only after expiry of 7 years from the date of disappearance of the employee. After 7 years of disappearance of father of the appellant, when he was not traced out, the Corporation vide order dated 14.10.2013, released solatium to the widow of the deceased and also sanctioned special pension. The family has already been provided solatium and pension.

As in the case in hand, it was found that the appellant has means to earn his livelihood, there is no error in the order passed by the learned Single Judge.

Considering the aforesaid facts, we do not find any reason to interfere with the impugned judgment of the learned Single Judge. There is no merit in the present appeal. The same is accordingly dismissed. Consequently, the accompanying applications are also dismissed.

(Rajesh Bindal)  
Judge

16.3.2016  
vs

(Harinder Singh Sidhu)  
Judge