

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

CR No.4657 of 2017

Date of decision: 19.07.2017

Nachhattar Kaur and another

... Petitioners

Versus

Commissioner under the Employee's Compensation Act, 1923-cum-
Assistant Labour Commissioner, Circle-4, Ludhiana and another

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN PALLI

Present: Mr. Navjeet Singh, Advocate for the petitioners.

ARUN PALLI J. (Oral)

Vide this petition under Article 227 of the Constitution of India, the petitioners have assailed the order dated 24.04.2017 (Annexure P4), passed by the Commissioner under the Employee's Compensation Act, 1923-cum-Assistant Labour Commissioner, Circle-4, Ludhiana.

Ex facie, an ex parte order dated 19.02.2016 was passed by the authorities under the Act in favour of the petitioners and he was awarded ₹ 4,57,080/- along with simple interest @ 12% per annum. Subsequently, the respondents moved an application for setting aside of the ex parte proceedings dated 25.08.2014, as also the final ex parte order dated 19.02.2016. Vide order being assailed, the Court has only framed the issues in the said application and posted the matter for evidence of the applicant-respondents. On being pointedly asked, learned counsel for the petitioners could not point out as to how the order in question is either contrary to the record or suffers from any material illegality. Faced with this, all what he

submits is; that as the dispute pertains to olden times, the authorities be directed to decide the matter within a specified time.

In view of the above, no ground is made out to interfere with the impugned order. Accordingly, the petition is dismissed.

However, in the event the petitioners make any prayer before the authorities for expeditious disposal of the application, the same shall be considered in accordance with law, and appropriate measures shall be taken.

(Arun Palli)
Judge

July 19, 2017
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Whether speaking/reasoned:
Whether Reportable:

YES
NO