

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CWP No. 611 of 2017 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 09.05.2017

AVTAR SINGH *... Petitioner*
V/s.
STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS *...Respondents*

CORAM: **HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDIP SINGH**

Present: Mr. Amandeep Saini, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

Ms. Vandana Malhotra, Addl. A.G., Punjab.

Mr. Gagandeep Singh Chhina, Advcoate,
for respondents No. 2 and 3.

KULDIP SINGH, J. (Oral)

The petitioner has preferred this writ petition under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India praying for issuance of writ in the nature of mandamus for directing respondents No. 1 to 3 for making the payment on account of medical reimbursement of expenditure incurred by petitioner on the treatment of his late son alongwith interest.

It comes out the medical bills in respect of the petitioner were sanctioned by the respondent-department in the year 2015 and 2016 and the details thereof are as under: -

<i>Sr. No.</i>	<i>Amount (in ₹)</i>	<i>Date of Sanction</i>
1.	1,69,640/-	21.10.2015
2.	2,89,988/-	21.10.2015
3.	6,93,029/-	21.12.2015
4.	2,17,421/-	05.02.2016
5.	4,31,158/-	29.04.2016
6.	1,92,580/-	05.05.2016

Learned counsel for the petitioner has stated that the entire payment in respect of medical reimbursement has been released to the petitioner today itself. However, the petitioner claims interest on the delayed payment thereof.

In view of the matter, the respondents are directed to release the payment of interest on the delayed payment of medical reimbursement of the petitioner @ 9% per annum starting one month from the date of sanction of the respective payments till their actual date of payments. The respondents are directed to release the payment of interest within three months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

Accordingly, the petition stands allowed.

May 9, 2017
Suresh Kumar

(KULDIP SINGH)
JUDGE

<i>Whether speaking / reasoned</i>	:	✓ Yes	/	No ✓
<i>Whether Reportable</i>	:	Yes	/	No