

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

(106)

CWP-2660-2019

Date of Decision: January 31, 2019

Shanti Devi

..Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana and others

..Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: Mr. Ashok Kumar Khubbar, Advocate, for the petitioner.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI, J.(ORAL)

In the present writ petition, the petitioner is seeking the financial assistance under the Haryana Compassionate Assistance to the dependants of the deceased Government Employees Rules-2002, 2005, 2006 as amended from time to time.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the husband of the petitioner who was working with the respondents as a driver, unfortunately died on 11.01.2001. The petitioner applied for the ex-gratia as well as for the appointment of her son on compassionate grounds. Vide letter dated 09.04.2004, the benefit of compassionate appointment was declined to the son of the petitioner and with respect to the ex-gratia assistance, liberty was given to the petitioner to apply for the same.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that the petitioner is an illiterate lady hence she failed to apply for the benefit for which she was entitled for.

Learned counsel for the petitioner further states that for the relief which has been claimed in the present writ petition, the petitioner has

served the respondents with a legal notice dated 25.07.2018 (Annexure P-5) and the petitioner will be satisfied, at this stage, in case a time bound direction is issued to the respondents to decide the legal notice dated 25.07.2018 (Annexure P-5) by passing a speaking order.

Without commenting upon the merits of the case or about the entitlement of the petitioner for the relief which has been claimed by her in the legal notice dated 25.07.2018 (Annexure P-5), the present writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondents to decide the legal notice dated 25.07.2018 (Annexure P-5) within a period of three months from the receipt of certified copy of this order.

In case, it is found that the petitioner is entitled to any monetary benefits after the decision of the legal notice, the same should also be paid to her within three months thereafter.

(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

January 31, 2019
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Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether reportable:	Yes/No