

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CWP No. 25140 of 2013

Date of Decision: 09.01.2019

Gurmeet Singh

...Petitioner

Vs.

Presiding Officer, Industrial Tribunal Bathinda and others

...Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE RAJIV NARAIN RAINA

Present: Mr. Raj Kaushik, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Akanksha, AAG Punjab.

RAJIV NARAIN RAINA, J. (Oral)

Concededly, the project in which the petitioner worked under the aegis of the office of the Child Development and Project Officer, Rampura, District Bathinda has been closed down. For this reason, reinstatement has been denied by the Labour Court in its award dated 10.09.2013 and in lieu thereof compensation of Rs. 30,000/- has been awarded. At the time of closure, the petitioner was not paid closure compensation in terms of the Industrial Disputes Act, 1947. That amount so worked out deserves to be paid to the petitioner in addition to the amount of Rs. 30,000/- as compensation awarded.

Having heard learned counsel for the parties, I partly allow this petition and award the amount representing closure compensation in terms of Section 25 FFF of the Act to the petitioner in addition to the compensation awarded. The respondents are directed to pay the amount

within a period of two months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of the order. The amount of closure compensation will also attract interest @ 6% per annum till payment since the petitioner has been deprived of use of money.

09.01.2019
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(RAJIV NARAIN RAINA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes
Whether reportable : No