

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CWP No.23092 of 2015 (O&M)
DATE OF DECISION:12.03.2019

Arshdeep Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

Punjab State Power Corporation Ltd. and others

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: Mr. K.S. Dadwal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Y.P. Khullar, Advocate for respondents No.1 to 5.

Mr. Ish Puneet Singh, Advocate for respondent No.6.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI, J. (ORAL)

In the present writ petition, the grievance which is being raised by the petitioner is that though the petitioner is suitable for the appointment on compassionate ground after the death of his father, namely, Kuldeep Singh, who was working as lineman, the petitioner has not been given appointment.

As per the facts stated in the writ petition, the petitioner was born on 30.11.1995. Unfortunately, the father of the petitioner, who was working with the respondents died on 11.06.2011. At that time, the petitioner was pursuing his diploma in Electrical Engineer, which he completed in May, 2014. After completing the diploma, the petitioner submitted an application for the grant of appointment on compassionate ground, which remained pending with the

respondents and could not be finalized on one ground or the other. As the request of the petitioner for the grant of compassionate appointment was not being considered, the petitioner filed the present writ petition.

Counsel for the respondents has filed a short reply of Sarabjit Singh, Additional Superintending Engineer, Op. Division, Dasuya, District Hoshiarpur. The short reply filed by the respondent is as under:

“1. That the deponent is ready to disburse all the pensionary benefits of Sh. Kuldip Kumar, who was working with the answering respondents but not in position to do the same due to the pendency of the present writ petition as well as CWP No.10809 of 2012. The deponent undertakes to abide by any order/direction in the matter issued by this Hon'ble Court.

2. That the deponent will give compensate appointment whosoever will be eligible determined by this Hon'ble Court in this litigation.”

Counsel for the petitioner states that there is no impediment in the consideration of the case of the petitioner for the grant of compassionate appointment as Gurpreet Kaur, sister of the petitioner has already given an affidavit that she has no objection in case the petitioner herein is considered for the grant of compassionate appointment.

Counsel for the petitioner further states that as no decision has been taken so far by the respondent on the claim of the petitioner, let the respondents decide the application submitted by

the petitioner for the grant of compassionate appointment to the

petitioner in accordance with law in a time bound manner.

Without expressing any opinion on the merits and the entitlement of the claim of the petitioner for the grant of compassionate appointment, the present writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondents to decide the claim of the petitioner for the grant of compassionate appointment within a period of two months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order by passing an appropriate speaking order.

March 12, 2019

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**(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes / No

Whether reportable : Yes / No