

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

(109)

CWP-26828-2019

Date of Decision: September 20, 2019

Jyoti Sharma

.. Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.. Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: Mr. Maninder Singh Bajwa, Advocate, for the petitioner.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI, J.(ORAL)

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that husband of the petitioner, who was employed with the Department of Rural Development and Panchayat as Panchayat Secretary and was working since November, 2001, unfortunately died on 13.06.2018, leaving behind the petitioner and two minor children.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that no benefit of the service which late husband of the petitioner had rendered with the respondents from the year 2001 till 2018, has been granted though there were no proceedings pending against the late husband of the petitioner either departmental or before any competent Court of law, which would entitle the respondents to withhold the benefits.

Learned counsel for the petitioner 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 01.08.2019 (Annexure P-4) which is still pending consideration with the respondents and the petitioner will be satisfied, at this stage, in case a time bound direction is issued to the respondents to decide the said legal notice by passing an appropriate 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 01.08.2019 (Annexure P-4), the present writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondents to decide the legal notice dated 01.08.2019 (Annexure P-4), 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 for any monetary benefits after the decision of the legal notice, the same should also be paid to her within three months thereafter.

September 20, 2019
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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether reportable:	Yes/No