

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

(117)

CWP No. 34658 of 2019

Date of Decision : 28.11.2019

Sushil Kumari

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present:- Mr. Mandeep K. Sajjan, Advocate for the petitioner.

Harsimran Singh Sethi, J. (Oral)

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that husband of the petitioner was working in the Education Department of the Government of Punjab and he retired on 31.10.1992 on attaining the age of superannuation and was getting pension. It has been stated in the writ petition that husband of the petitioner was diagnosed with a cardiac problem due to which, he remained admitted in the hospital and on treatment, husband of the petitioner incurred an amount of ₹1,55,144/-. Learned counsel for the petitioner states that due to the heart problem, husband of the petitioner was again admitted in hospital on 01.08.2019 and he, unfortunately, died while in hospital on 04.08.2019 and during the said period of treatment, a sum of ₹23,988/- was incurred.

Learned counsel for the petitioner further states that after the death of the husband of the petitioner, the bills were submitted by the

petitioner with the competent authority for reimbursement of the same but no action has been taken by the respondents so far though, there is no impediment in the release of the said amount. The prayer of the petitioner is for issuance of a direction to the respondents to immediately reimburse the medical bills, which the petitioner has already submitted in respect of the treatment undertaken by her late husband.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that for the relief, which has been claimed in the present writ petition, petitioner has submitted representations dated 14.10.2019 (Annexure P-3 (Colly)) with the authorities and those representations are still pending consideration with the respondents. Learned counsel for the petitioner states that petitioner will be satisfied, at this stage, in case a time bound direction is issued to the respondents to decide the said representations by passing an appropriate speaking order.

In view of the request made, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case and the claim being made by the petitioner, the respondents are directed to decide the representations dated 14.10.2019 (Annexure P-3 (Colly)) by passing a speaking order within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order.

Writ petition stands disposed of accordingly.

November 28, 2019
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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking? *Yes*
Whether reportable? *No*