

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CWP-1271 of 2020

Date of decision: 17.01.2020

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.... Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

CORAM:HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: Mr. Peeush Gagneja, Advocate
for the petitioner.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI, J.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that the husband of the petitioner, who was working with respondent No.4/Municipal Corporation, Abohar unfortunately died on 21.12.2018 while in service. He further states that except the payment of Rs.1,00,000/-, no other benefits in respect of the service rendered by the late husband of the petitioner have been released to the her despite the fact that more than one year has elapsed and non release of the benefits by the respondents is causing financial distress to the petitioner and she is not able to live a dignified life in the absence of said benefits. Prayer of the petitioner is for issuance of a direction to respondent No.4/Municipal Corporation, Abohar to release the benefits in respect of the service rendered by the late husband of the petitioner forthwith.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that for the relief, which is being claimed in the present writ petition, the petitioner has served the

respondents with legal notice dated 23.09.2019 (Annexure P/2), 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 respondent No.4 to decide the said legal notice.

In view of the request made, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case or the claim being made by the petitioner, respondent No.4 is directed to decide legal notice dated 23.09.2019 (Annexure P/2), by passing a speaking order within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order. In case after the decision, it is found that the petitioner is entitled for any monetary benefit, the same shall also be released to her within a period of next three months.

Present writ petition stands disposed of.

(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

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| 1. | Whether speaking/non-speaking? | Yes/No |
| 2. | Whether reportable? | Yes/No |