

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

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CWP-11202-2020

Date of decision: 04.08.2020

Bhagwanti

... Petitioner

Vs.

The State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUVIR SEHGAL

Present:- Mr. Malkiat Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

SUVIR SEHGAL J. (ORAL)

This matter has been taken up for hearing through video conferencing due to Covid-19 Pandemic.

Prayer in the writ petition is for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to release family pension and other benefits due to the petitioner after the death of her husband along with interest.

Petitioner is a widow of Lal Singh, who retired from the post of Chowkidar from the office of Deputy Director, Horticulture Department, Ludhiana on 31.05.2000. He was issued Pension Payment Order (PPO) and was getting monthly pension from the Government till his death i.e. on 25.04.2014. The petitioner informed the respondents about the death of her husband and submitted requisite documents for release of family pension, but the same has not been granted to her so far. She has

repeatedly approached the respondents and sent representations but without any success.

Counsel for the petitioner submits that at this stage, the petitioner will be satisfied in case a direction is issued to the concerned respondent to decide the representation dated 11.12.2019, Annexure P-6. The request made by the counsel is just and reasonable.

Without adverting to the merits of the claim raised by the petitioner in the petition or in her representation, the writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the competent authority/respondents No.2 and 3 to examine and decide the representation dated 11.12.2019, Annexure P-6 within a period of four months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

04.08.2020

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(SUVIR SEHGAL)**JUDGE**

Whether Speaking/Reasoned : Yes/No

Whether Reportable : Yes/No