

CWP-14516-2020

Date of decision :September 16, 2020

Randhir Singh

.....Petitioner

Versus

Union of India and others

....Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE LISA GILL

Present: Mr.G.S. Chahal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr.BharatBhushan Sharma, Senior Panel Counsel for UOI.

LISA GILL, J.

This matter is being taken up for hearing through video conferencing due to outbreak of the pandemic, COVID-19.

The petitioner claims that he had deposited his savings from time to time with the village Post Master, Post Office Ramgarh. Saving passbooks were issued from the office of Post Master, Bhadson. Swaran Singh, Village Post Master, Ramgarh to whom the petitioner had given money, committed suicide on 13.10.2017. It was apprehended that some of the passbooks may be fake and the entries may not be correct. The petitioner alongwith his wife had earlier approached this Court by way of filing CWP-1156-2019 in respect to savings amounting to Rs.10 lakhs. A coordinate bench, vide order dated 17.01.2019 attached as Annexure P4, declined to interfere in the matter, as disputed questions of fact were involved, though it was observed that the Chief Post Master General, Punjab Circle, Sector 17, Chandigarh would examine the claim of the petitioners and take a decision in this matter in accordance with law.

It is submitted that the petitioner is an illiterate person. The matter regarding Rs.10 lakhs was resolved by the respondent – authorities, however, the petitioner later came to know that there are certain entries/passbooks in respect to

other amounts, was still pending/not brought to the notice of the authorities. It is in this situation that the present writ has been filed.

Learned counsel for the petitioner is unable to deny that the petitioner has not even approached the authorities for examination of his claim by way of any representation etc.

In the given circumstances, I do not find any justification for interference. The petitioner is, however, at liberty to approach the concerned authority for redressal of his grievance, who needless to say, on receipt of such representation/claim, would look into the same in accordance with law.

Present writ petition is, accordingly, disposed of.

September 16, 2020

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(Lisa Gill)
Judge

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