

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

**CWP No.10996 of 2021
Date of Decision: 29.06.2021.**

Charanjit Kaur

Petitioner

Versus

Punjab State Power Corporation, the Mall Patiala through its Chairman and others

Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE LISA GILL

Present: Mr. Balbir Singh Jaswal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

LISA GILL, J.

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

Petitioner seeks direction to the respondents to consider the case of the petitioner for the grant of compensation to her and her minor children due to the untimely death of her husband by electrocution, which purportedly occurred on account of negligence on the part of the respondent-department.

It is submitted that the petitioner is a widow who unfortunately lost her husband on 17.07.2019 due to negligence of the Electricity Department. It is submitted that the petitioner's husband lost his life due to high voltage wires/current which were incorrectly placed by the Department.

The petitioner approached the Department seeking compensation. It is further submitted that concerned Department of the PSPCL inspected the

spot and found certain lapses on the part of the corporation's employees which ultimately led to the death of petitioner's husband. Various documents were sought by the Department from the petitioner, which were duly submitted by the petitioner, however, necessary action, it is stated not being taken by the respondents.

It is further submitted that legal notice dated 10.12.2020 (Annexure P-10) was served upon the respondents but to no avail.

At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioner restricts the prayer for a decision on the legal notice dated 10.12.2020 (Annexure P-10), in a time bound manner.

Keeping in view the facts and circumstances of this case, but without any expression of opinion on the merits of the matter, this petition is disposed of with a direction to the competent authority to consider and decide the legal notice dated 10.12.2020, Annexure P-10 within a period of three months from receipt of certified copy of this order.

Petition is disposed of accordingly.

June 29, 2021
rekha sharma

(LISA GILL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether Reportable : Yes/No