

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CWP No.13978 of 2021 (O&M)

Date of Decision:29.07.2021

Nirmala Rani

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana and another

..... Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS.JUSTICE LISA GILL

Present: Mr. Abhishek Sharma, Advocate
for Mr. Lekh Raj Sharma, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Sharan Sethi, Addl.AG., Haryana.

LISA GILL, J(Oral).

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

Petitioner in this case seeks compensation on account of the unfortunate death of her son which is stated to have taken place on account of electrocution due to the negligence of the respondents for not maintaining 66 KV HT lines as per Electricity Act and Rules, in a proper manner.

It is submitted that legal notice dated 06.08.2020, Annexure P-4, was served upon the UHBVNL, which was replied to by stating that it is HVPNL, which is managing, controlling and maintaining the said line and UHBVNL had no concern or connection with the same. Thereafter, the petitioner, it is stated issued legal notice dated 07.09.2020, Annexure P-6, to HVPNL. Legal notice, which was issued through registered post, was received back unserved on the ground that due to COVID-19, entry to the office was stopped. Said legal notice was however served through e-mail.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Sharan Sethi, Addl.AG., Haryana, accepts notice on behalf of respondent no.1. Advance copy of writ petition stand supplied.

Mr. Ashish Yadav, Addl.AG., Haryana, accepts notice on behalf of respondent no.2. Advance copy of writ petition stand supplied.

At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioner restricts his prayer for a final decision of the claim raised by the petitioner in a time bound manner.

Learned counsel for the State submits that in case a comprehensive representation is received, same shall be looked into and dealt with in accordance with law.

Keeping in view the facts and circumstances of this case, but without any expression of opinion on the merits of the matter, it is directed that present writ petition be treated to be a representation on behalf of petitioner and competent authority shall look into the matter and after affording an opportunity of hearing to the petitioner besides opportunity to furnish any relevant documents to prove her claim, decide the same in accordance with law, within a period of three months from receipt of certified copy of this order. In case of a decision adverse to the petitioner, same be by way of a speaking order.

Petition is disposed of accordingly

29.07.2021
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[LISA GILL]
Judge

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