

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

CWP 19316 of 2021 (O&M)

Date of Decision: September 24, 2021

Anita Kumari

...Petitioner

Versus

Union of India and others

... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE FATEH DEEP SINGH

Present : Mr. Vivek Singla, Advocate
for the petitioner.

FATEH DEEP SINGH, J. (Oral)

The matter has been taken up through video-conferencing on account of outbreak of pandemic COVID-19.

The petitioner has come up in this civil writ petition under articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India seeking a prayer by way of writ of *mandamus* directing the respondents to pay *ex-gratia* lump sum compensation of Rs.25 lakhs as death of the husband of the petitioner happened on duty and release extra ordinary family pension as the death of the husband of the petitioner falls within category-B of instructions dated 03.02.2000, for which, legal notice dated 15.05.2019 (Annexure P-5) has also been served upon the respondent authorities.

Heard.

Upon hearing learned counsel for the petitioner side, the directions are issued to the respondent authorities to duly consider the legal notice dated 15.05.2019 (Annexure P-5) as representation of the petitioner and decide the same in accordance with law by passing a speaking order, preferably, within a period of one month from the date of passing of this order.

If the petitioner is held entitled for so claimed relief and there is no impediment for granting the same, the relief be released to her without any delay as per law.

Disposed off.

September 24, 2021

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(FATEH DEEP SINGH)

JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No