

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CWP-20140-2021

Date of Decision: October 06, 2021

JAGRAJ SINGH AND ANOTHER

..... PETITIONER(s)

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

..... RESPONDENT(s)

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS.JUSTICE LISA GILL

Present: Mr. Munish Raj Chaudhary, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. T.P.S. Chawla, Dy. A.G., Punjab.

LISA GILL, J.

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

Petitioners seek compensation on account of unnatural death of their son allegedly caused due to injuries received by him in an accident, which occurred on 01.01.2020 because a group of stray cattle suddenly appeared on public road in front of the motorcycle being driven by petitioners' son. It is claimed that petitioners' son died due to negligence on the part of authorities. GD No.9 dated 02.01.2020, Annexure P4, in respect to the death of petitioners' son is stated to be registered. Learned counsel refers to the post-mortem report of the deceased, attached as Annexure P3, to state that petitioner's son died due to injuries suffered by him in the accident as above.

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that despite submitting representation dated 28.11.2020 (Annexure P-8), respondent-authorities are not taking any action on the petitioners' claim.

At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioners restricts the prayer for a decision on representation dated 28.11.2020 (Annexure P-8), in a time bound manner.

Notice of motion.

Mr. T.P.S. Chawla, Dy. A.G., Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of all the respondents. Advance copy of writ petition stands served. Learned counsel for the State does not raise any serious objection to the limited prayer addressed.

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 representation dated 28.11.2020 (Annexure P-8), within a period of three months from receipt of certified copy of this order, after affording an opportunity of hearing to the petitioners. Compensation, if found due, be released within six weeks thereafter.

Petition is disposed of accordingly.

06.10.2021

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(LISA GILL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether reportable: Yes/No