

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

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**CWP-798-2021 (O&M).
Date of Decision: 15.09.2022.**

Ranjana

...Petitioner

Versus

Dakshin Haryana Bijli Vitran Nigam Limited and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VINOD S. BHARDWAJ

Present: Mr. Umesh Narang, Advocate, for
Mr. Manoj Kumar Sood, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. R.D. Bawa, Advocate, for the respondents.

VINOD S. BHARDWAJ. J.

The instant petition has been filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India for seeking issuance of appropriate writ, order or direction in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to grant compensation on account of death of Lokesh (son of petitioner) due to electrocution on 07.08.2020.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that deceased Lokesh (son of petitioner) had gone to the house of his maternal uncle in village Sondhad, District Hodal. On the date of incident, he had accompanied his uncle to the market to purchase groceries. The deceased was standing near the shop when he touched the wire that was installed

to extend support to the electricity pole, however, the said neutral wire was energized and was live. Burn injuries due to electrocution were suffered by the deceased Lokesh. He was taken to a hospital and during treatment he succumbed to the injuries so sustained on account of electrocution. A DDR No.026 dated 07.08.2020, in this regard, was also recorded at Police Station Hodal.

Learned counsel appearing on behalf of respondents – DHBVNL contends that the incident is dated 07.08.2020 and that the policy dated 15.07.2019 notified by the respondents - DHBVNL relating to compensation to the victims for fatal/non-fatal accidents was then in force and that in the event of the petitioner submitting his claim before the competent authority as per the policy, the same shall be considered and an expeditious decision in terms of the above policy shall be taken thereupon.

The aforesaid contention/offer is accepted by the counsel for the petitioner without prejudice to her rights.

The present petition is thus disposed of with the consent of the respective parties and without prejudice to their respective rights and without commenting on the merits of their respective claims granting liberty to the petitioner to approach the respondent authorities for seeking disbursement of compensation in terms of applicable policy.

Needless to mention that in the event of filing of such claim/representation by the petitioner before the competent authority as per the policy, the same shall be decided expeditiously by the competent authority preferably within a period of 04 months from the date of filing

of the such claim/representation, after granting an opportunity of hearing to the respective parties.

Accordingly, the present petition is disposed of.

September 15, 2022
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(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

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