

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

CWP-5259-2022

Date of decision: March 16, 2022

Surinder Kaur

.....Petitioner

versus

Union Territory, Chandigarh and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA

Present:- Mr. B.R. Rana, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Ajay Jagga, Additional Standing Counsel and
Mr. Deepak Malhotra, Advocate
for respondents No.1 & 2.

ARUN MONGA, J (ORAL)

Petitioner herein, *inter alia*, seeks issuance of a writ in the nature of Mandamus directing respondent No.2 to pass orders on the pending application of the petitioner filed under the Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007 (for short 'Act').

2. Petitioner is stated to be 76 years old widow and a cancer survivor. Her late husband, namely Pritam Singh retired from Indian Air Force on 31.12.1995 and purchased a LIG category House bearing No.3904, Sector-47, Chandigarh. One of the daughters/Respondent No.3 later started residing with the petitioner at the said house due to some matrimonial issues. However, respondent No.3 allegedly started maltreating the petitioner. Petitioner then moved an application dated 03.12.2020 under Section 5 of the Act before respondent No.2, but till date no action has been taken on the same. Hence, the present petition.

3. Heard.

4. Ordinarily this Court would not have interfered merely on the ground of pendency of the application filed by the petitioner. Due to intervening pandemic period Offices/ Tribunals have been working under restrictions. However, since now normal functioning is slowly resuming it is expected of respondent No.2 to take up the pending application and dispose of the same as expeditiously as possible without granting unnecessary adjournments.

5. Disposed of, accordingly.

(ARUN MONGA)
JUDGE

March 16, 2022

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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether reportable: Yes/No