

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

**CWP No. 20495 of 2021
Date of decision: 05.05.2022**

Anil Kumar

..... Petitioner.

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents.

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present:- Mr. Joginder Siwach, Advocate, for the petitioner.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking a direction to the respondents to appoint him on compassionate ground.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the father of the petitioner, who was working as a Lineman with respondent No. 2, had expired while in service on 20.02.1990. Thereafter, his mother was appointed as Peon on compassionate ground. Unfortunately, the mother of the petitioner also expired. The petitioner has sought compassionate appointment and he has attached the affidavits of his siblings except a sister, who has refused to furnish an affidavit in favour of the claim of the petitioner for appointment on compassionate ground. He submits that a criminal case had been registered against that sister and the petitioner be considered for compassionate appointment even though affidavit has not been furnished by one of the siblings.

Heard.

A perusal of the petition indicates that the respondents while considering the claim of the petitioner had sought affidavits from all the legal

heirs for consideration of the case of the petitioner for compassionate appointment. Only one family member of the deceased employee can be offered compassionate appointment in terms of the policy of respondent No. 2. There is a dispute between the petitioner and one of his sisters. Unless that dispute is resolved, it would not be possible for this Court to direct the respondents to consider the case of the petitioner for compassionate appointment.

Consequently, I do not find any merit in this petition at this stage. However, it is clarified that in the event of the dispute being resolved and one of the family members seeking compassionate appointment, the case would be considered by the respondents in accordance with their policy.

The petition stands disposed of in the aforementioned terms.

Pending application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed of.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

05.05.2022
Ramesh

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No