

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

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**CWP-26160-2018(O&M)
Date of decision:15.09.2022**

REETA DEVI & ANR

....Petitioners

Versus

UTTAR HARYANA BIJLI VITRAN NIGAM & ORS

...Respondents

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

Present : Mr. Shakti Mehta, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Vishal Garg, Advocate
for the respondents No.1 to 3.

Mr. Vipul Sachdeva, Advocate
for respondent No.4.

VINOD S. BHARDWAJ. J. (ORAL)

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 for disbursement of compensation to the petitioners on account of death of Vikas Chander due to electrocution.

Learned counsel for the petitioners contends that deceased- Vikas Chander was working as Sales Manager at Prem Autos Kalka and is the son of petitioner No.1 and brother of petitioner No.2. On 12.07.2018, when he was crossing Amrawati he had taken a shelter near a dhabha. He received a massive electric shock from the 11000 KV wire which was lying naked and was not even visible. As a result of the said incident, he died on 13.07.2018 and an FIR regarding the aforesaid incident was duly registered.

Learned counsel for respondents No.1 to 3 contends that the incident is dated 12.07.2018 and that the policy dated 18.05.2017 notified by the UHBVNL relating to compensation to the victims for fatal/non-fatal accidents was then in force and that in the event of the petitioners submitting their 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 petitioners without prejudice to their 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 petitioners 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 petitioners 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.

(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

15.09.2022

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