

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

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**FAO-7149-2019 (O&M)
Date of decision: 05.09.2022**

National Insurance Co. Ltd.**...Appellant**

Versus

Ajay Singh and others**...Respondents****CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN**

Present:- Mr. Gopal Mittal, Advocate
for the appellant/Insurance Company.

Mr. Neeraj Sheoran, Advocate
for respondent No. 1.

Mr. Himmat Singh Sidhu, Advocate
for respondent No. 2.

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN, J. (Oral)

The only prayer in this appeal is to modify the impugned award dated 25.04.2019, passed by the Motor Accident Claims Tribunal, Jhajjar (*for short 'Tribunal'*), wherein the interest was granted by the Tribunal @ 9% per annum from the date of accident till its realization with a rider that if the same is not done within a period of 60 days, the appellant will make the payment of compensation along with interest @ 12% per annum.

Learned counsel for the appellant/Insurance Company submits that the interest on compensation can be granted from the date of filing of claim petition and not from the date of accident.

Learned counsel for the respondent No. 1/claimant does not dispute that the impugned award may be modified to the extent that the interest is to be paid from the date of filing of the claim petition and not

from the date of accident.

In view of the above, the present appeal is disposed of with a modification in the impugned award that the interest on the compensation will be payable from the date of filing of the claim petition and not from the date of accident.

05.09.2022

Waseem Ansari

(ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether reportable

Yes/No