



HIGH COURT LEGAL SERVICES COMMITTEE, CHENNAI
National Lok Adalat organised by the High Court Legal Services Committee
Saturday, the 9th September 2023

NATIONAL LOK ADALAT AWARD

(Chapter VI and u/s 21 of Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987)

Presided over by

The Hon'ble Mr.JUSTICE J.SATHYA NARAYANA PRASAD
and

Members

Mr.K.Ramakrishnan, District Judge (retd)

Mr.K.V.Muthu Visakan, Advocate

C.M.A.No.662 of 2022

(Appeal against the judgment and decree passed on 10.12.2021 made in MCOP.No.383 of 2018 on the file of the Motor Accidents Claims Tribunal/(I Additional District & Sessions Judge, Cuddalore)

1.Leela Pushpa Bai

2.Minor S.Steplin Felix

3.Minor S.Godlin Felix

(Minors are represented by Mother, Natural Guardian 1st Petitioner herein)

..Appellants

/versus/

1.G.Shanmugasundaram

2.United India Insurance Co., Ltd.,

Third Party Service Hub, Plot No.35,36,37,

AR Plaza, 45 Feet Road, Balaji Nagar Extn.

Saram, Puducherry - 605 011.

.. Respondents

This case is taken up for settlement before this Lok Adalat. Both the parties are present. Mrs.Ramya V.Rao, learned counsel for appellants and Mrs.R.Sreevidhya, learned counsel for the second respondent are present. After



mutual discussion, negotiation, mediation and conciliation between both parties, they arrived at a compromise to settle the matter as follows:

TERMS OF SETTLEMENT

The Tribunal has awarded a sum of Rs.14,35,556/- with interest at the rate of 7.5% per annum as compensation to the appellants/claimants. Challenging the same, the appellants/claimants have preferred this appeal.

2. Not satisfied with the award of the Tribunal, the appellants/claimants have preferred the present appeal for enhancement. Now, both the parties have agreed to a sum of Rs.3,50,000/- (Rupees Three Lakhs Fifty Thousand only) along with 7.5% interest over and above the Tribunal award.

3. Mrs.Chandra Srinivasan, Regional Manager of the Insurance has represented the second respondent/insurance and submitted that the insurance has already deposited the tribunal award amount of Rs.14,35,556 /- (Rupees Fourteen Lakhs Thirty Five Thousand Five Hundred Fifty Six only).

4. The second respondent/insurance is directed to deposit the enhanced amount of Rs.3,50,000/- (Rupees Three Lakhs Fifty Thousand Only) along with 7.5% interest, within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. On deposit of the aforesaid enhanced amount by the second respondent/insurance, the appellants/claimants are permitted to withdraw the



same, without filing any formal petition. The Award is passed accordingly.

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5. The Tribunal is directed to transfer the amount through RTGS/NEFT to the parties concerned on proper identification in accordance with the terms of the award, without insisting on any formal permission petition. The Civil Miscellaneous Appeal is disposed of accordingly.

6. Insofar as the apportionment of the minors (appellants 2 & 3) are concerned, the Tribunal is directed to deposit the same in any one of the Nationalised banks till he/she attains majority. On such deposit, the guardian shall be at liberty to withdraw the accrued interest at the three months interval regularly.

1. Leela Pushpa Bai
2. Minor S. Steplin Felix
3. Minor S. Godlin Felix

Counsel for the Appellants

1. G. Shanmugasundaram

2. United India Insurance Co., Ltd.,
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Counsel for the second respondent

This Lok Adalat award is passed in terms of the above settlement.



The full Court fee paid shall be refunded to the appellant in the manner provided under Section 69-A of the Tamil Nadu Court-Fees and Suits Valuation Act, 1955 and the Court Fees Act, 1870 as provided for under sub Sec.1 of Section 21 r/w 25 of LSA Act 1987 as amended in 1994.

Judge

Member

Member



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J.SATHYA NARAYANA PRASAD, J.

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To: The parties/Advocate concerned

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