

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

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**2023:PHHC:148996
CWP-4534-2021 (O&M).
Date of Decision: 21.11.2023.**

SUKHDEV SINGH AND OTHERS

..Petitioners

VERSUS

HARYANA VIDYUT PRASARAN NIGAM LIMITED AND OTHERS

.. Respondents

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

PRESENT Mr. Divyadeep Walia, Advocate, for the applicants-petitioners.

Mr. Samrath Sagar, Advocate, for
Mr. Sunil Kumar, Advocate,
for respondents No.1 to 4.

Ms. Sangita Dhanda, Advocate, for respondent No.7.

Mr. Pankaj Mulwani, DAG, Haryana,
for respondents No.5, 6, 8 and 9.

VINOD S. BHARDWAJ, J. (ORAL)

CM-17245-CWP-2023

The instant application has been filed under Section 151 of the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908 for preponing of the main case which is stated to be fixed for hearing on 09.01.2024 and for disposing of the main writ petition with a direction to the respondents to consider the claim of the petitioners in terms of Policy dated 22.02.2021 issued by the respondent No.1-Haryana Vidyut Prasaran Nigam Limited.

Pursuant to the notice issued in the application, learned counsel for the respective respondents are present. Mr. Samrath Sagar, Advocate, appearing for respondents No.1 to 4/transmission licensee, on instructions from Mr. Gaurav, SDO, HVPNL, Ambala, submits that the respondents shall consider the claim of the petitioners in terms of the aforesaid policy bearing Office Order No.471/REG-119/Vol-1 dated 22.02.2021.

In view of above, the present application which is supported by the affidavit of Mr. Sukhdev Singh, petitioner No.1, is allowed and the main case is taken on board today itself.

Main case

Prayer in the present writ petition is for seeking compensation to the tune of Rs.50,00,000/- (Rupees Fifty Lakhs) on account of death of Sahil son of petitioners No.1 and 2 due to electrocution within the premises of Village Tepla 220 KV Sub Station.

In view of the aforesaid application supported by affidavit of the petitioner No.1 himself for withdrawal of the main petition, with the consent of the respective parties and without prejudice to their respective rights and without commenting on the merits of their respective claims, the present petition is disposed of granting liberty to the petitioners to approach the respondent authorities for seeking disbursement of compensation in terms of the 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.

November 21, 2023.

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(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)

JUDGE

Whether speaking / reasoned : Yes / No

Whether reportable : Yes / No