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FAO-489-2004

ARSHDEEP KAUR AND ORS VS BEANT SINGH AND ORS

Present: Mr. Ashish Grover, Advocate
for the appellants.

Mr. Anupam Singla, Advocate
for PRTC.

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On 20.10.2023, after detailed deliberations and discussions, learned counsel for the appellants submitted a proposal at Rs.3,50,000/- over and above the amount already awarded by the learned Tribunal. Time was granted to the respondents for having instructions.

Learned counsel for the appellants has submitted a counter-proposal dated 29.11.2023 to the tune of Rs.2,91,200/- clearly stating that the amount of interest up to date is not being added. Learned counsel for the respondents submits that as per his instructions, the proposal submitted by the appellants therefore is not acceptable. We are unable to agree to this contention that the respondents are not willing to pay any interest at the rate being normally granted by the Lok Adalats.

Adjourned to 05.01.2024.

It is directed that the General Manager, PRTC, Bathinda and Managing Director, PRTC, Patiala be issued notices to appear in person before the Lok Adalat on the next date of hearing failing which we will be constrained to issue non-bailable warrants.

(Jitendra Chauhan)
PRESIDENT

(R.P. Nagrath)
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AWARD OF LOK ADALAT BENCH NO.5

After today's order dated 01.12.2023, learned counsel for the respondents-PRTC has put in appearance again at this stage. He submits that after a detailed discussion with the officer concerned, the respondents are ready to accept the proposal submitted by the appellants. Learned counsel has signed the consent form accepting the proposal submitted by the appellants on 20.10.2023.

Accordingly, this award is made with the direction to the Insurance Company to deposit the enhanced amount of Rs.3,50,000/- (Rupees Three Lacs and Fifty Thousand Only) by cheque/draft, in favour of appellant No.1-Arshdeep Kaur with the Office of the Lok Adalat of the High Court on or before 31.01.2024. Failing compliance of the order, interest @ 9% per annum shall follow on this amount till payment from the date of this order. The appellants' counsel may collect the cheque/draft from the office of the Lok Adalat. The office shall retain the photocopies of the cheque/draft bearing signatures of the Counsel.

Appeal stands disposed of in terms of the settlement.

Copy of this order be supplied/sent to the counsel/parties and file be consigned to the record room.

(Jitendra Chauhan)
PRESIDENT

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