

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CWP-14486-2023

Date of decision: 11.07.2023

GURDEEP KAUR

.....Petitioner

VERSUS

HARYANA VIDUT PRASARAN NIGAM LTD. & OTHERS

.....Respondents

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

Present:- None for the petitioner.

Mr. Vivek Saini, Advocate
for respondents No.1 to 3.

VINOD S. BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

The present petition invokes writ jurisdiction of this Court for seeking compensation on account of death of Pardeep Singh-son of the petitioner on 24.01.2020 due to electrocution that occurred owing to the negligence on the part of the respondents.

From the perusal of the petition, it is noticed that deceased-Pardeep Singh while doing part time work of distributing newspapers met with an accident whereby he was contacted with broken wire near Petrol Pump Dhakoli and was electrocuted, then he was taken to the PGI where he died. An FIR No. 0009 dated 27.01.2020 under Section 304-A of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 was registered at Police Station Sector 20, Panchkula.

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Notice of motion restricted to respondents No.1 to 3 at this stage.

Mr. Vivek Saini, Advocate appears and accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3.

Learned counsel appearing on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3 contends that the incident is dated 24.01.2020 and that the policy dated 08.07.2019 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 petitioner submitting her 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 present petition is thus disposed of with the consent of learned State counsel and without prejudice to her respective rights and without commenting on the merits of her respective claim granting liberty to the petitioner 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 petitioner 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.

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Accordingly, the present petition is disposed of.

Parties be informed accordingly.

(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

JULY 11, 2023

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