

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

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**2023:PHHC:154187
CWP-18257-2021 (O&M).
Date of Decision: 04.12.2023.**

BHAWYA

..Petitioner

VERSUS

UNION OF INDIA AND OTHERS

.. Respondents

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

PRESENT Mr. Amit Rao, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Satya Pal Jain, ASGI with
Ms. Shweta Nahata, Sr. Panel Counsel, and
Ms. Puneeta Sethi, Advocate,
for the respondent No.1/Union of India.

Mr. Pankaj Mulwani, DAG, Haryana, for respondent No.2
assisted by Dr. Jawant Singh Punia, Director, Health Services,
Haryana.

Mr. Himmat Singh Sidhu, Advocate, for respondent No.3.

VINOD S. BHARDWAJ, J. (ORAL)

Prayer made in the present writ petition is for seeking issuance of directions to the respondents to take necessary steps to impart/facilitate financial/medical assistance towards the medical treatment of the minor petitioner who was suffering from rare disease of 'Gaucher'.

Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner submits that the minor has since then passed away as a result of the aforesaid rare disease and that the issue was kept pending only for ensuring that an appropriate policy is put in place by the respondent-State.

Pursuant to the order dated 19.09.2023, passed by this Court, Dr. Jaswant Singh, the Director, Health Services, Haryana, is present in the Court and he makes a statement that the Policy draft has already been finalised and the same shall be approved by the competent authority within a period of 02 weeks from today which contains an extension of financial assistance to the family aggrieved and other issues pertaining to treatment of the patient. The expenses are to be borne by the Union of India. He further submits that the expenses in this regard have been disbursed by the Union of India, to the Posts Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research (PGIMER), Chandigarh, which is the Centre for excellence in terms of the Policy.

In view of the aforesaid statement made by the Director, Health Services, Haryana, today in the Court, undertaking issuance of the policy within a period of 02 weeks, counsel for the petitioner contends that the grievance espoused by the petitioner in the present writ petition is thus satisfied and the present petition has been rendered infructuous.

Disposed of accordingly,.

Needless to mention here that the State of Haryana shall remain bound by its statement made today in the Court and the appropriate policy shall be thereafter notified within a period of 02 weeks from today As undertaken.

December 04, 2023.
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(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

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