

Court No. 3
(266146)

25.09.2024
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(S. Banerjee)

WPA 1289 of 2023

Kamal Krishna Denre @ Kamal Denre
Vs.
State of West Bengal & Ors.

Mr. Chandan Misra
Mr. Debabrata Majumder

...for the petitioner

Mr. Amal Kumar Sen
Ms. Ashima Das (Sil)

...for the State

The present writ petition has been filed by the petitioner, the husband of the deceased Smt. Chhanda Denre, seeking appropriate direction to the respondent/state for compensation due to the unfortunate death of his wife, who died owing to snake-bite on 12-10-2018 at Medical Collage Hospital, Kolkata.

It is the case of the petitioner, wherein the petitioner states that he had submitted a claim to the state authorities seeking compensation under the scheme of the Government of West Bengal, Department of Reliefs, vide No. 1043-DMCD-11011(12)/I/E-394252/2021 dated 2-7-2021. Under the scheme the Government of West Bengal has issued a circular for welfare measure which provides that the District Magistrate/District Authority/Municipal Commissioner in case of

KMC area, will sanction and administer an ex-gratia amount of Rs. 1.00 Lakh (Rupees One Lakh Only) in each death case to the next-of-kin(s) of the deceased who died due to snake-bite on being satisfied about the genuineness of the cases of death after obtaining necessary documents against it from the concerned authority. The petitioner further contended that the tragic death of his wife was due to circumstances beyond their control and the family was entitled to get the relief under the above-mentioned government scheme.

Learned counsel for the respondent/State appears and states that according to the scheme vide notification dated 02-07-2021, the government has provided ex-gratia amount of Rs. 1.00 Lakh (Rupees One Lakh Only) has already been paid to the petitioner as compensation, as per the guidelines of the above mentioned scheme.

In view of the statement made by the learned counsel for the respondent/State and the said fact has been verified by the petitioner that the amount has been duly received by the petitioner. Consequently, the petitioner did not wish to press the present writ petition.

After careful consideration of the submissions made by both the parties and the documents placed on record, this Court is of the opinion that as the petitioner is duly satisfied by the grant of an ex-gratia amount of Rs. 1.00 Lakh (Rupees One Lakh Only) as compensation, the grievance of the petitioner stands redressed.

With the above observations, the present writ petition is disposed of.

(Gaurang Kanth, J.)