

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CWP-3163-2021
Date of Decision: 28.02.2024

Pooja

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAGMOHAN BANSAL

Present:- Mr. Karanjeet Singh Brar, Advocate for the petitioner
Mr. Pawan Kumar, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab

JAGMOHAN BANSAL, J. (Oral)

1. The petitioner through instant petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India is seeking direction to respondents to release a sum of ₹2.5 Lakh as *ex-gratia* amount on account of death of her husband.
2. Mr. Karanjeet Singh Brar, Advocate submits that petitioner on account of death of her husband was entitled to *ex-gratia* amount of ₹10 Lakh. The respondent has paid a sum of ₹7.5 Lakh, however, ₹2.5 Lakh is still pending.
3. Learned State counsel submits that respondent-State is ready and willing to pay outstanding payment of ₹2.5 Lakh, however, delay is taking place on account of representation of the father-in-law of the petitioner.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner is having three children and one of them is staying with his grandfather. She has no objection if part of *ex-gratia* amount is paid to the said child.
5. In the wake of statement of both sides, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondents to distribute the aforesaid amount among the petitioner and her three children.

(JAGMOHAN BANSAL)
JUDGE

28.02.2024
Mohit Kumar

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>