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

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Date of Decision :23.07.2024

Khushpreet Kaur**...Petitioner****Versus****State of Punjab and others****...Respondents****CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI**

Present: Ms. Malkit Kaur, Advocate for the petitioner.

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Harsimran Singh Sethi, J. (Oral)

In the present petition, grievance being raised by the petitioner is that she is an unmarried daughter of late Balwant Singh, who retired as Technician Grade-I from the respondent-department and was receiving pension and had unfortunately died on 18.04.2024.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that after the death of father of the petitioner, benefit of family pension is not being given to the petitioner, who is wholly dependent upon her father and has no source of income to sustain herself in these hard days. Learned counsel for the petitioner further submits that vide letter dated 28.06.2024 (Annexure P/6), the petitioner was directed to approach respondent No.3 but when she approached respondent No.3, they flatly refused to entertain her and asked her that it is the department, who is to consider her claim for the grant of family pension.

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Mr. Swapan Shorey, DAG, Punjab, who is present in Court accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State.

Learned counsel for the respondents submits that in case, the petitioner complies with the conditions as mentioned in letter dated 28.06.2024 (Annexure P/6), her claim will be considered by the respondents and an appropriate order will be passed.

It may be noticed that the petitioner will file a dependent certificate as well as no income certificate with the respondents. Further, in the affidavit, the petitioner should mention with regard to the details of her family members stating that her brother is no longer eligible to receive the benefit of family pension as he has already attained age of 25 years and her younger sister is already married living with her in-laws and she was not dependent upon her late father Balwant Singh. In case, all these documents are submitted by the petitioner, the respondents are directed to pass an appropriate order granting the benefit of family pension to the petitioner within a period of 04 weeks from the date of receipt of all the documents as stated hereinbefore.

It is made clear that in case, the present order is not complied with by the respondents, the petitioner will be at liberty to revive the present petition by filing an appropriate application.

Present petition stands disposed of in above terms.

July 23, 2024
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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No
Whether reportable : Yes/Nor