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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**
+ **W.P.(C) 11329/2024**
JAGDISH KAUR SANDHUPetitioner

Through: Mr. Ankit Singh Sinsinwar, Ms. Neha
Yadav, Mr. Dhananjay and Mr. Ravi
Kumar, Advocates.

versus

UNION OF INDIA & ANR.Respondents
Through: Ms. Anushkaa Arora, SPC with Mr.
Anubhav Tyagi, G.P. with Mr.
Ravinder Jain, PAO (Officer).

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJEEV NARULA

ORDER
16.08.2024

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1. The Petitioner is a senior citizen and the widow of Late Mr. Balwinder Singh Sandhu. Both, the Petitioner and her late husband were recipients of the Shaurya Chakra Award for their acts of bravery.
2. The Petitioner asserts that although both she and her late husband were beneficiaries of a government scheme providing a monthly allowance to Shaurya Chakra awardees, these payments have ceased. She claims entitlement to her personal monthly allowance, which has been unpaid since 1st March, 2023, and to the spousal allowance as the widow of an awardee, which has been unpaid since 1st May, 2022.
3. Counsel for Respondents states that the Petitioner has made a representation dated 10th May, 2024¹, which is under active consideration. She assures the Court that a decision will be reached within ten days from



today. Additionally, she clarifies that the suspension of the monthly allowance was due to administrative reasons rather than an outright denial of benefits.

4. In light of the above, the Court expects that the decision on the Petitioner's representation dated 10th May, 2024 would resolve the grievances urged in the present petition, and payments shall be released expeditiously pursuant to the decision, which shall be rendered within the assured timelines. It is further clarified that the entitlements of the Petitioner as a widow of Late Mr. Balwinder Singh Sandhu shall be released into her own account, details whereof have already been furnished to the Department.

5. With the above directions, the present petition is disposed of.

SANJEEV NARULA, J

AUGUST 16, 2024

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¹ Copy of the representation has been annexed with the petition and marked as "Annexure P-6"