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

CWP-2061-2025 (O&M)
Date of Decision:04.02.2025

UNION OF INDIA AND OTHERS

.....Petitioner(s)

V/s.**USHA RANI AND ANOTHER**

.....Respondent(s)

CORAM: **HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJEEV PRAKASH SHARMA**
 HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA

Present: Mr. Narender K. Vashist, Advocate for the petitioners.

SANJEEV PRAKASH SHARMA, J. (Oral)

1. The present Writ Petition is filed assailing order dated 09.08.2024 (Annexure P-1) passed by the Central Administrative Tribunal, Chandigarh Bench, whereby the petitioners were directed to release the amount of medical claim incurred by respondent No.1 (pensioner), who was living in a non-CGHS station i.e. Nabha, Punjab.

2. Respondent No.1 had undergone the knee surgery at Civil Hospital, Nabha and remained admitted for four days. The total expenditure incurred on her treatment is ₹1,98,232/- and considering that the treatment was conducted at the Civil Hospital and not at a private hospital, there is no reason for the petitioners-UOI to withhold the reimbursement amount. Even as per their own circular dated 20.10.2022 as noticed by the coordinate Bench in CWP-3114-2024, those pensioners, who are residing at non-CGHS stations, they can not only be allowed to get the fixed medical allowance per month, but can also avail the benefits from the nearby CGHS station. Thus, if the treatment has been done at a Civil Hospital, reimbursement cannot be denied.



3. In view of the aforesaid, the present writ petition is devoid of merits and the same is **dismissed** accordingly.

4. All pending applications in this case are disposed of accordingly.

[SANJEEV PRAKASH SHARMA]
JUDGE

[MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA]
JUDGE

February 4, 2025
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Whether speaking / reasoned	:	Yes	/	No
Whether Reportable	:	Yes	/	No