



FAO-391-2021 (O&M)

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

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Reserved on: 14.11.2025

Date of Decision: 18.11.2025

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SHRI RAM GENERAL INSURANCE COMPANY LTD.Appellant

Vs.

MANINDER SINGH AND ANR.

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE SUDEEPTI SHARMA

Present: Mr. Nigam Kumar Bhardwaj, Advocate, for the appellant.

Mr. Yogesh Gupta, Advocate, for respondent No.1.

SUDEEPTI SHARMA J.

1. The present appeal has been preferred by the appellant-Insurance company against the award dated 04.03.2020 passed in the claim petition under Section 166 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 by the Motor Accident Claims Tribunal, Chandigarh (for short, 'the Tribunal'), wherein the appellant-Insurance company was held liable to pay the compensation to the claimants to the tune of Rs.16,95,702 along with interest @ 7.5% per annum on the ground that compensation awarded is on higher side.

2. As sole issue for determination in the present appeal is confined to quantum of compensation awarded by the learned Tribunal, a detailed narration of the facts of the case is not required to be reproduced and is skipped herein for the sake of brevity.

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3. Learned counsel for the appellant/Insurance company contends that the compensation awarded by the learned Tribunal is on the higher side and



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deserves to be reduced. Therefore, he prays that the present appeal be allowed and the compensation be reduced as per latest law. He therefore prays that the present appeal be allowed.

4. Per contra, learned counsel for respondent No. 1/claimant vehemently argues that the compensation awarded under Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 is on the lower side. He points out that the claimant/respondent already filed appeal bearing FAO No. 1649-2021 titled as *Maninder Singh vs. Parveen Kumar* and another challenging the quantum of compensation awarded by the learned Tribunal and seeking its enhancement. He therefore prays that the present appeal (FAO No. 391-2021) be dismissed and compensation be enhanced as per latest law.

5. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the whole record of this case with their able assistance.

6. It is pertinent to note that ***FAO No. 1649-2021 titled as Maninder Singh vs. Parveen Kumar and another*** filed by the claimants has already been allowed by this Court, vide order of even date detailing therein regarding every aspect of the arguments raised in the present appeal.

7. In view thereof, adjudication of the present appeal no longer survives and the same is dismissed.

8. The statutory amount of Rs.25,000/- deposited by the appellant at the time of admission of the appeal, is ordered to be refunded to it.

9. Pending application(s), if any, also stand disposed of.

(SUDEEPTI SHARMA)
JUDGE

18.11.2025

Gaurav Arora

Whether speaking/non-speaking : Speaking
Whether reportable : Yes/No