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

**CWP-25522-2025 (O&M)
DECIDED ON: 08.09.2025**

KAMLESH DEVI

.....PETITIONER(S)

VERSUS

STATE OF HARYANA AND OTHERS

.....RESPONDENT(S)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANDEEP MOUDGIL

Present: Mr.Imran Farooqi, Advocate for the petitioner(s).
Mr. Sushil Bhardwaj, Addl. A.G., Haryana.

SANDEEP MOUDGIL, J (ORAL)

1. This civil writ petition has been filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India, praying for issuance of an appropriate writ, direction or order in the nature of Mandamus directing the respondents to forthwith pay interest at the rate of 18% per annum (or at such rate as this Court may deem just and proper) to the petitioner, Smt. Kamlesh Devi, on the delayed payment of Gratuity, Leave Encashment and Group Insurance Scheme (GIS) benefits for the entire period of delay-approximately seven years-from the date such benefits became due after the death of her husband, Late Sh. Hakam Singh, till the actual date of payment, in accordance with law and Section 7(3A) of the Payment of Gratuity Act, 1972; to release the arrears of Dearness Allowance (DA) at the enhanced/revised rate for the period from July 2023 to 1st November 2024 and to pay interest on such DA arrears for the period of delay.

2. At the outset, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that he will be satisfied, in case a direction is issued to respondent No.1 to decide the representations/applications dated 01.07.2025 (Annexures P-1 to P-3) within a time bound manner.
3. Without adverting to the merits of the case, the respondent No.-1- Principal Secretary, Transport Department, Haryana Civil Secretariat, Chandigarh is directed to consider and decide the representation/applications dated 01.07.2025 (Annexures P-1 to P-3), after providing opportunity of hearing to the parties, by passing a speaking order in accordance with law within a period of six weeks from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.
4. A copy of order so passed be supplied to the petitioner within seven days thereafter.
5. Petition stands disposed of in the aforesaid terms.

08.09.2025
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(SANDEEP MOUDGIL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : *Yes/No*
Whether reportable : *Yes/No*