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

CWP-28231-2025

Date of decision:-22.09.2025

Jaspreet Kaur

...Petitioner

Versus

Dakshin Haryana Bijli Vitran Nigam Limited and anr.

...Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUVIR SEHGAL

Present : Mr. Sunil K. Tandon, Advocate
for the petitioner.

SUVIR SEHGAL, J.(ORAL)

1. Instant petition has been filed, inter alia, for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing respondents to pay compensation of Rs.50 lakhs to the petitioner on account of death of her husband, due to electrocution.

2. Counsel for the petitioner submits that Tejpal Singh, petitioner's husband, was working in an agricultural field when he came in contact with a low hanging 11 KV electric line and he was electrocuted. Counsel has made a reference to the death certificate, Annexure P1 as well as postmortem report, Annexure P2 to state that the cause of death has been described as cardio pulmonary arrest by electric shock. Counsel submits that a DDR was registered on the same day. He



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states that Dakshin Haryana Bijli Vitran Nigam Limited (DHB NVL) has framed a policy dated 15.07.2019, Annexure P6, which provides for grant of compensation in case of fatal and non-fatal accidents due to electrocution. Counsel asserts that the petitioner had submitted representations, Annexure P4 and P5, claiming compensation, but they are still pending.

3. Issue notice of motion to the respondents.

4. Mr. Ravish Kaushik, Addl. A.G., Haryana, accepts notice on behalf of respondents.

5. Given the nature of order proposed to be passed, this Court does not deem it necessary to call a response from the respondents.

6. From the averments made in the writ petition, it transpires that representations submitted by petitioner are pending. In view thereof, without examining the claim on merits, writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the competent authority to decide the representation, Annexure P5, within a period of four months from the date of communication of copy of order of this Court.

7. It is clarified that in case competent authority finds that the claim cannot be accepted, it shall pass a detailed order assigning reasons for its rejection.

(SUVIR SEHGAL)
JUDGE

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