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

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Date of Decision:08.12.2025

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...PETITIONER

VERSUS

**DAKSHIN HARYANA BIJLI VITRAN NIGAM LIMITED AND
OTHERS**

...RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUVIR SEHGAL

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

SUVIR SEHGAL, J.(ORAL)

1. Mr. Sunil Kumar Tandon, counsel for the petitioner submits that Amit Kumar, petitioner's son, who was on terrace of newly constructed house, came in contact with a loose 11 KV high voltage electric line and suffered an electric shock. He was taken to a hospital, but was declared dead. Reference has been made to post-mortem report dated 23.10.2023, Annexure P-1, as well as FIR, Annexure P-2, to assert that death had taken place due to electrocution. Counsel asserts that Dakshin Haryana Bijli Vitran Nigam Limited (DHBVNL) was negligent in maintaining the electricity lines and they are liable to compensate petitioner in accordance with a policy



dated 15.07.2019, Annexure P-5, framed by it for grant of compensation in such type of cases. Counsel asserts that a representation dated 04.10.2025, Annexure P-4, has been dispatched to respondents for grant of compensation, but no action has been taken.

2. Mr. Bhupender Singh, Advocate has put in appearance on behalf of respondents, on the basis of an advance copy and has filed Memorandum of Appearance, which is taken on record. He does not have any instructions regarding pendency of representation.

3. Given the nature of order proposed to be passed, this Court does not intend to call for a response from respondents.

4. Perusal of the petition shows that representation, Annexure P-4, has been sent by petitioner, which is pending with respondents. Without examining contents of the writ petition or representation, a command is issued to competent authority to decide representation, Annexure P-4, within a period of four months from the date of communication of a copy of this order. In case, respondents find that petitioner is not entitled to any compensation under the policy, Annexure P-5, a detailed order assigning reasons for rejection shall be passed within the aforesaid period.

5. Writ petition is disposed of.

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JUDGE

Whether Speaking/Reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	Yes/No