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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

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Date of decision: May 19th, 2026

Asha Devi and others

...Appellants

Versus

Ajay Kumar and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS BAHL

Present: Ms. Kritika Mandhan, Advocate
for Dr. Naresh Kaushik, Advocate
for the appellants.

Mr. Vishwajit Bedi, Advocate
for respondent No.2.

VIKAS BAHL, J. (ORAL)

1. Widow, two daughters and three sons had filed the claim petition on account of death of Umesh Maddeshiya alias Umesh Kumar, who had admittedly died in a motor vehicular accident. The Tribunal vide award dated 01.12.2023 had awarded an amount of ₹13,49,346/- as compensation along with interest to the claimants No.1, 2 and 4 to 6.
2. It has been jointly submitted during the course of arguments that the matter has been settled vide detailed settlement agreement dated 26.02.2026 before the Mediation and Conciliation Centre of this Court. The said agreement has been placed on record. It is submitted that as per the said agreement, an additional compensation of ₹70,000/- over and above the amount which has been awarded by the Tribunal is to be paid by respondent No.2 to the appellants. It is submitted that the said agreement has been entered into voluntarily.



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3. Keeping in view the abovesaid facts and circumstances and on account of the joint statement made by the counsel for the appellants and the counsel for the Insurance Company, the present appeal is partly allowed and the award dated 01.12.2023 passed by the Motor Accidents Claims Tribunal is modified and respondent No.2-Insurance Company is directed to pay an amount of ₹70,000/- as additional compensation to appellant No.1-Asha Devi within a period of 45 days from today in accordance with the terms of the settlement, as full and final settlement.

May 19th, 2026
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(VIKAS BAHL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes
Whether reportable: No