2026:AHC:209206

HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT ALLAHABAD

WRIT - A No. - 13995 of 2026

Seema Devi

.....Petitioner(s)

Versus

State Of U.P. And 4 Others

.....Respondent(s)

Counsel for Petitioner(s)	:	Gopal Ji Rai
Counsel for Respondent(s)	:	C.S.C.

Court No. - 52

HON'BLE MRS. MANJU RANI CHAUHAN, J.

Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and Mr. Shailendra Singh, learned Standing Counsel for the State. No one has appeared on behalf of respondent no.3.

The writ petition has been filed with the following prayer:

"(i) Issue a writ, order or direction in the nature of mandamus commanding respondent no. 3 to provide the benefit of death-cum-retirement gratuity of her husband (deceased) to the petitioner, within such period as may be specified by this Hon'ble Court."

On 15.09.2026, the following order was passed:

"1. Heard Sri Gopal Rai, learned counsel for the petitioner and learned Standing Counsel for the State-respondents.

The present petition has been filed by the petitioner claiming the benefit of death-cum-retirement gratuity of her deceased husband.

Learned Standing Counsel pointed out that the death of the petitioner's husband occurred on 29.09.2010 and that no explanation whatsoever has been given for the delay, and he seeks time to verify the credentials of the petitioner and her claim.

In view of the aforesaid, list this case on 06.10.2026 in the top ten cases."

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that a direction may be

issued to respondent no.3, Deputy Director of Education, Azamgarh Region, Azamgarh, to look into the grievance of the petitioner and to provide the benefit of death-cum-retirement gratuity of her husband (deceased), within a stipulated period.

The writ petition is being decided without issuing notice to respondent no.5 Committee of Management, in view of the orders proposed to be passed.

Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, but without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case set up on behalf of the petitioner, the present writ petition is **disposed of** by providing that the petitioner may make a fresh, detailed application/representation, ventilating all her grievances and supported by such documents as she may be advised, before respondent no.3, Deputy Director of Education, Azamgarh Region, Azamgarh, within three weeks from today, along with a certified copy of this order. On such representation being made, respondent no.3 shall make all endeavours to consider and decide the same, strictly in accordance with law, by means of a reasoned and speaking order, after giving a proper opportunity of hearing to all concerned, including the Committee of Management, as expeditiously as possible, preferably within a period of **two months** from the date of production of a certified copy of this order, if there is no legal impediment.

(Mrs. Manju Rani Chauhan,J.)

October 6, 2026
Rahul.

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RAHUL GOSWAMI
High Court of Judicature at Allahabad