

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT  
CHANDIGARH

CWP No. 23104 of 2011  
Date of Decision: 13.12.2011.

Smt. Om Pati

--Petitioner

Versus

Uttar Haryana Bijli Vitran Nigam Ltd. &  
others

--Respondents

**CORAM:- HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA.**

Present:- Mr. J.P. Dhull, Advocate for the petitioner.

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**TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA.J (ORAL)**

The husband of the petitioner expired on 23.9.2005 while working on the post of Line Man with the U.H.B.V.N. Ltd. The petitioner is seeking the benefit under the Haryana State Notification dated 28.2.2003, whereby the Haryana Compassionate Assistance to the Dependents of Deceased Govt. Employees Rules, 2003 for providing financial assistance and ex-gratia appointment to the dependents of the deceased employees were duly notified. In terms thereof the dependent of the deceased employee was required to submit an option within three years from the date of death for one of the reliefs i.e. either the ex-gratia appointment on compassionate grounds or in the alternative the ex-gratia compassionate financial assistance to the family of the deceased employee.

The pleadings on record are totally silent as regards the fact of submission of option, if, at all. Be that as it may. Learned counsel for the petitioner refers to a representation dated 15.7.2011 (Annexure P-2) with regard to the claim of ex-gratia compassionate financial assistance.

Under such peculiar circumstances, respondent no.3 is directed to consider the representation, referred to above in accordance with law and to take a decision thereupon within a period of six months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order. It is, however, made clear that nothing in this order shall be construed to be an observation on the merits of the claim raised by the petitioner.

Writ petition is disposed of accordingly.

**(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)**  
**JUDGE**

**13.12.2011.**

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