



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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FAO-4952-2018 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 25.08.2025

Sanjeev Kumar

.... Appellant

Versus

Balbir Singh @ Lovely and another

.... Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE NIDHI GUPTA**

Present: - None.

**NIDHI GUPTA, J. (ORAL)**

1. By way filing the present appeal, the appellant/claimant/injured seeks enhancement of the compensation amount of ₹8,09,461/- awarded to him vide impugned Award dated 12.10.2017 by the learned Motor Accident Claims Tribunal, Kurukshetra, in a claim petition bearing MACT Petition No. 66 of 2016 dated 08.02.2016.

2. The matter pertains to the year 2018. Perusal of the order-sheet(s) reveals that notice of motion in the present appeal was issued by a co-ordinate Bench of this Court vide order dated 28.03.2023. Thereafter, the matter was listed for hearing 02 times i.e. on 28.03.2023 and 21.07.2025 and on both occasions, the appellant had gone un-represented.

3. On the last date of hearing 21.07.2025, the matter was referred to the Mediation and Conciliation Centre of this Court, in view of the '**Special Mediation Drive-Mediation for Nation**', initiated under the aegis of the Hon'ble Supreme Court, with a direction to the parties and/or their counsel to appear before the Mediation and Conciliation Centre of



this Court on 29.07.2025 at 10:00 AM. Registry was also directed to inform learned counsel for the parties.

4. Pursuant thereto, report of the Mediator dated 19.08.2025, has been received reporting therein that none of the parties had appeared for mediation on 29.07.2025 and notices were issued to both the parties for 19.08.2025. Even on the said date, none of the parties had appeared as such, mediation could not be initiated.

5. Today again, there is no representation on behalf of either of the parties, despite the case having been called twice.

6. A bare reading of the above facts shows that the appellant has exhibited an utterly casual attitude in his pursuit of the present litigation. It is to be appreciated that very valuable public time of the Court has been expended in affording opportunities to the appellant in the interest of justice. On the other hand, the appellant has adopted an utterly casual and careless approach. It is clear that neither the appellant nor his counsel is seriously interested in pursuing the present matter. Thus, this Court is left with no other option except to **dismiss** the same for non-prosecution.

7. Ordered accordingly.

8. Pending application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed of.

**25.08.2025**  
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**( NIDHI GUPTA )**  
**JUDGE**

**Whether speaking/reasoned Yes/No**

**Whether Reportable Yes/No**