



FAO-6067-2018 (O&M)

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

S.No.243

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Date of Decision : 31.07.2025

Rajinder Chopra and others

... Appellants

Versus

Rajinder Parkash Saini and another

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PANKAJ JAIN

Present: Mr. Vrishank Suri, Advocate, for
Mr. Akshay Jindal, Advocate,
for the appellant.

Mr. Lalit Garg, Advocate,
for respondent No.2-insurance company.

PANKAJ JAIN, J. (Oral)

Challenge is to the order dated 09.08.2017 passed by the Commissioner, Circle Karnal under Employee's Compensation Act, 1923.

2. Grievance of the claimant is that nothing has been paid under the head of funeral expenses and that the interest has been awarded only for two years.

3. In the considered opinion of this Court, the observations made by the Commissioner regarding limiting the interest for two years cannot be sustained. Same has to abide by Section 4A of the 1923 Act. Thus, interest @ 12% on the compensation amount of ₹ 5,70,368/- has to be for the period commencing from 30 days after the date of accident i.e. 05.06.2014 till the



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date of actual realization. To make it more explicit, rate of interest shall be payable for the period commencing from 05.07.2024 till the date of actual realization. Apart from the compensation amount along with interest, the appellant shall also be entitled for funeral expenses of ₹ 5000/-.

4. Disposed off accordingly. Pending application, if any, stands disposed off.

(PANKAJ JAIN)
JUDGE

July 31, 2025

Paritosh Kumar

Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No