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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH**

CWP-47-2023 (O&M)

Date of decision: 23.01.2025

Satwant Kaur

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDEEP TIWARI

Present: Mr. Arihant Goyal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Arunadhathi Kulshreshtha, AAG Punjab.

KULDEEP TIWARI, J.

1. Through the instant writ petition filed under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India, a prayer is made for issuance of a mandamus directing the respondents to pay ex gratia compensation amount of Rs. 50 lacs as notified vide letter dated 08.05.2020 (Annexure P-2) and dated 23.12.2020 (Annexure P-3) issued by the department of Finance, Punjab.
2. The petitioner claims herself to be dependent of deceased Kulwant Singh, who was working as Pump Operator during COVID-19 period and employed with the respondent-State of Punjab.
3. Learned counsel for the respondent-State submits that during the pendency of this writ petition, the Deputy Commissioner concerned has passed the speaking order, which is placed on record as Annexure R9/1.



4. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that he is not satisfied by the order passed by the authority concerned, therefore, he may be granted liberty to challenge this order. He made a request for withdrawal of the instant petition with the aforesaid liberty.

5. Dismissed as withdrawn with liberty to through challenge to the order (supra) by filing apt motion.

23.01.2025

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**(KULDEEP TIWARI)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether Reportable: Yes/No