

CWP-15961-2023**AVTAR SINGH AND OTHERS VS UNION OF INDIA AND OTHERS**

Present: Mr. Harsh Manocha, Advocate, for the petitioners.

By way of present writ petition, prayer has been made for directing the respondents to release the amount of compensation as per award dated 05.10.2018 (Annexure P-1) along with statutory benefits.

Notice of motion for 09.08.2023.

Mr. Athar Ahmad, DAG, Punjab and Mr. Vikas Chatrath, Advocate accept notice on behalf of respondent-State as well as respondent-NHAI and seek time to argue the matter.

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the account details of the petitioners shall be forwarded to respondent No.3 today itself through learned State counsel who in turn assures that amount of compensation shall be deposited in the accounts of petitioners.

At this stage, learned State counsel submits that joint bank account of NHAI and CALA is stated to have been attached under the orders passed by the Additional District Judge, Rupnagar, though respondent No.3 is not a judgment debtor before the said Court. Without going into the validity of order passed by learned Additional District Judge, Rupnagar, the joint account is ordered to be released from attachment only to the limited extent so as to enable respondent No.3 to make the requisite payment of compensation including statutory benefits in favour of petitioners who are running from pillar to post for release of compensation for the past almost five years.

04.08.2023
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(**HARKESH MANUJA**)
JUDGE