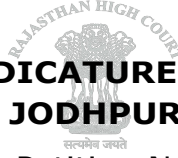




**HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE FOR RAJASTHAN AT
JODHPUR**



D.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 19175/2024

1. The Union Of India, Through Its General Manager North Western Railways, Head Quarter Jaipur, Pincode 302006.
2. The Divisional Railway Manager, North Western Railway, Jodhpur Division, Jodhpur-342001.
3. The Senior Divisional Personnel Officer, North Western Railways, Jodhpur-342001.

-----Petitioners

Versus

Smt. Bal Kanwar W/o Late Bajrang Singh Paniwala, Aged About 84 Years, Jhekariya, Post Ledi, Tehsil Ladnoo, District Nagaur (Rajasthan).

-----Respondent

For Petitioner(s)	:	Mr. Rajendra Choudhary
For Respondent(s)	:	Dr. Mohit Singhvi Mr. Utkarsh Bafna

**HON'BLE DR. JUSTICE PUSHPENDRA SINGH BHATI
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANDEEP SHAH**

Order

25/02/2026

1. Learned counsel for the petitioner-Union of India submits that the deceased employee-Late Shri Bajrang Singh Paniwala, had retired as Waterman under the SSE (P.Way), Sujangarh in Railway Department upon attaining the superannuation age w.e.f. 30.06.1982. Thereafter, he continued to get his pension till his death on 06.01.2013. Learned counsel also informs this Court that his first wife-Ugam Kanwar had expired on 01.01.1970. However, the name of his second wife Bal Kanwar was not entered into the record and thus the pension has not been paid. Learned counsel further submits that once the record was not entered by the late



employee, therefore it was not in the hands of the employer to have granted the possible benefit of the spouse/wife to the present respondent.

2. Learned counsel for the respondent however submits, that there is no dispute regarding the second marriage because first wife (Ugam Kanwar) had already expired on 01.01.1970 and there are records which indicate that she was a legally wedded wife and married Bajrang Singh, the late employee on 26.02.1971 as per the hindu rites. Learned counsel further submits that the respondent is 80 years old lady and suffering from extreme hardship due to the lack of pensionary benefits. He further submits that the Medical Card issued by the appellants themselves and also the Election Card clearly confirm the proposition of marriage with the present respondent and the same is not disputed by the appellants.

3. This Court has considered the submissions as well as the impugned order passed by the CAT. This Court finds that CAT has given a detailed finding regarding the respondent having married to the late employee - Bajrang Singh with a support of the documents which were on record and also the fact that there was no dispute to her status as wife.

4. The factual matrix of the earlier wife who expired long back in the year 1970 is also noted by the CAT. CAT noted that the lady-respondent is 80 years old widow and waiting for family pension for last 10 years and, therefore, rightly concluded the same being granted at the earliest.



5. This Court is satisfied that the impugned order arrived in the given peculiar factual matrix does not call for any interference in the present writ petition.

6. Accordingly, the present writ petition is disposed of.

7. The CAT order to be complied within a period of 30 days from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

(SANDEEP SHAH),J

(DR.PUSHPENDRA SINGH BHATI),J

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