



*company within two months. The petitioner no. 1 Smt. Shyam Kali the widow of deceased will get Rs. 65000/- (Rupees sixty five thousand) and rest of the petitioner s Km. Suman and Km. Sunita will get equal share of Rs. 55000/-. The share of the minor claimants has to be deposited in the fixed deposit scheme in the Nationalized Bank according to law, till date of their marriage. The parties shall bear their own costs."*

3. The aforesaid amount stood enhanced by the Hon'ble High Court of Judicature at Allahabad vide judgment dated 23.07.2019 in FAFO No. 2899 of 2004, whereby the compensation was reassessed at ₹4,00,000/-, with the rate of interest enhanced from 6% to 9%. The operative portion of the High Court's order reads as under:

*"The claimants are entitled to a total sum of ₹22,500 x 16 + 40,000 = ₹4,00,000/-. The amount shall carry interest at the rate of 9% from the date of filing of the claim petition till award and 6% thereafter till deposit."*

4. Having heard learned counsel for the parties, we are of the considered view that in the interest of justice, further enhancement of compensation is warranted.

5. The deceased, Ram Kishore, aged about 35 years, lost his life in a motor accident on 11.03.1999. His

dependants, being his wife and daughters, are seeking just recompense.

Taking a holistic view of the matter, we direct that an additional sum of ₹2,00,000/- (Rupees Two Lakhs only) be awarded as lump-sum compensation, over and above what has already been granted by the Tribunal and the High Court. Ordered accordingly.

6. Accordingly, the total compensation payable to the claimants shall stand modified as directed by the High Court.

7. The liability to satisfy the award shall remain upon the insurer, i.e., Respondent No. 2. The amount be directly remitted into the bank account of the claimants. The particulars of the bank account are to be immediately supplied by the learned counsel for the appellants to the learned counsel for the respondent. The amount be remitted positively within a period of eight weeks thereafter.

8. The impugned judgment of the High Court stands modified to the above extent.

9. The appeal is accordingly allowed in part.

.....J.  
(SANJAY KAROL)

.....J.  
(VIPUL M. PANCHOLI)

NEW DELHI  
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