

**104 CM-983-CWP-2017 in CWP-13852-2016
ARUNA TRIPATHI VS STATE OF HARYANA & ORS**

**PRESENT Ms. Veena Kumari, Advocate,
for the petitioner.**

The petitioner is a victim of acid attack.

Through the writ petition, she seeks reimbursement and compensation for the amount spent and the irreparable loss suffered by her.

On asking of the Court, counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has till date been granted only a sum of Rs.85,171/- in the shape of reimbursement of the amount spent by her.

This misc. application has been filed for a direction to the State to make payment to Medanta Hospital, Gurgaon, directly for the treatment which is being undertaken by the petitioner. In support of claim, a document Annexure P12, indicating the treatment has been placed on record. The policy of the Government issued vide notification dated 16.1.2014 regarding laying down scheme for 'Relief and Rehabilitation of Women Acid Victims' to provide ad hoc relief/compensation/medical reimbursement and rehabilitation services to women acid attack victims is a social beneficial legislation and has to be construed liberally.

Notice of the application to the Advocate General, Haryana for the date fixed i.e. 21.4.2017.

On asking of the Court, notice has been accepted by Mr. Anil Kumar Yadav, Addl. A.G., Haryana, present in the Court. Copy given.

Counsel for the State has opted to contest the application.

In the interest of justice, taking into consideration the principles of equity, an interim direction is issued to the State of Haryana to release interim compensation of Rs.1,50,000/- to the petitioner to enable her to carry on with the treatment. The amount may be disbursed to the petitioner by 31.3.2017. The amount paid will be subject to final decision of the present writ petition.

**(M.M.S. BEDI)
JUDGE**

**February 3, 2017.
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