

F.A.O. No. 450 of 2013

03. 29.11.2013

Heard learned counsel for the parties.

This appeal by the Insurance Company is directed against the judgment/order dated 05.09.2013, passed by the Commissioner for Employees' Compensation-cum-Deputy Labour Commissioner, Cuttack, in E.C. Case No.199-D of 2012, awarding an amount of Rs.8,04,005/- as compensation to be deposited within 30 days, failing which, interest @12% per annum shall be payable from the date of the award.

Considering the grounds taken in the appeal and the submission made by learned counsel for the parties and keeping in view the quantum of compensation amount awarded and the basis on which the same has been arrived at, I feel, the interest of justice would be best served if the compensation amount of Rs.8,04,005/- is modified and reduced to Rs.7,25,000/- (rupees seven lakhs twenty five thousand), which is payable to the claimants, on which no interest is payable. The impugned award is modified to the said extent.

The Commissioner for Employees' Compensation-cum-Deputy Labour Commissioner, Cuttack, is directed to disburse the modified compensation amount of Rs.7,25,000/- (rupees seven lakhs twenty five thousand) along with accrued interest thereon to the claimant. The balance deposited amount along with accrued interest thereon shall be refunded to the appellant-Insurance Company.

The F.A.O. is accordingly disposed of.

Issue urgent certified copy as per rules.

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S.C.Parija, J.