

IN THE HIGH COURT OF HIMACHAL PRADESH, SHIMLA

CWP No.7222 of 2021

Decided on: 09.10.2026

Surinder Singh & others ... Petitioners

Versus

The State of Himachal Pradesh and others ... Respondents

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Hon'ble Mr. Justice Ajay Mohan Goel, Judge.

Hon'ble Mr. Justice Yogesh Jaswal, Judge.

Whether approved for reporting?¹

For the petitioners: Mr. Angrez Kapoor, Advocate.

For the respondents: Mr. Pushpinder Jaswal, Additional Advocate General.

Ajay Mohan Goel, Judge (Oral)

By way of this petition, the petitioners have, *inter alia*,
prayed for the following reliefs:-

“i) That the writs in the nature of certiorari and mandamus may kindly be issued to quash and set-aside the Annexure P-3, and directing the respondents not to recover any penalty amount from the petitioner and same may be adjusted against the licenses fee for L-13 of the petitioners.

(ii) That issue a writ of mandamus to direct the respondents to revise the excise policy of year of 2020-201, keeping in view the change circumstances due to covid-19 virus.

(iii) That the writ of in the nature of certiorari may kindly be issued to declared the clause 14.7 of chapter 7 of the excise announcement of both financial year 2020-21 and 2021-2022 is ultra-virse, also inconsistent with or abridge or violation the fundamental rights of the petitioner as conferred by Part-3 of the Constitution of India.

(iv). That issue a writ of mandamus directing the respondents to decide the representation of the petitioners with its logical end, within time bound manner.

(v) That issue a writ of prohibition, prohibiting TE the respondents from executing the Annexure P-3, and not to take any coercive action against the petitioner liquor business, especially to the permit of the ply the vehicles to lift up the country liquor.”

¹ Whether reporters of the local papers may be allowed to see the judgment?

2. Learned Counsel for the petitioner has brought to the notice of this Court the order passed by Hon'ble Single Bench of this Court in CWP No.2512 of 2023, titled Vishal Rana Versus State of H.P. & Ors., decided on 06.08.2026 and he submitted that in the present case also interest of justice would be served in case the respondent-State is directed to have a re-look in the case of the petitioner in light of the judgment passed by this Court in CWP No.5232 of 2014, titled M/s Mohan Meakin Ltd. Versus State of H.P. & Others, decided on 06.09.2019.

3. In light of the request so made, without making any observation on the merit of the case, this petition is disposed of with the observation that the State may have a re-look in the case of the petitioner in light of the judgment passed in CWP No.5232 of 2014, titled M/s Mohan Meakin Ltd. Versus State of H.P. & Others (supra). Needful be done within a period of eight weeks from today. Pending miscellaneous application(s), if any, also stand disposed of accordingly.

(Ajay Mohan Goel)
Judge

(Yogesh Jaswal)
Judge

October 09, 2026
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