

IN THE HIGH COURT OF HIMACHAL PRADESH, SHIMLA

**CWP No.17085 of 2026 alongwith
connected matters**

Decided on: 1st October, 2026

1. CWP No.17085 of 2026

Suresh Kumar

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of H.P. and others

.....Respondents

2. CWP No.17103 of 2026

Shubh Bala

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of H.P. and others

.....Respondents

3. CWP No.17106 of 2026

Kalpna Saini

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of H.P. and others

.....Respondents

4. CWP No.17107 of 2026

Aruna Kumari

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of H.P. and others

.....Respondents

5. CWP No.17111 of 2026

Rajneesh Kaur

.....Petitioner**Versus**

State of H.P. and others

.....Respondents**6. CWP No.17115 of 2026**

Satish Kumar

.....Petitioner**Versus**

State of H.P. and others

.....Respondents**7. CWP No.17118 of 2026**

Subhash Kumar

.....Petitioner**Versus**

State of H.P. and others

.....Respondents**8. CWP No.17121 of 2026**

Priya Vandana

.....Petitioner**Versus**

State of H.P. and others

.....Respondents**9. CWP No.17124 of 2026**

Vipan Chandel

.....Petitioner**Versus**

State of H.P. and others

.....Respondents

10. CWP No.17170 of 2026

Surinder Singh

.....Petitioner**Versus**

State of H.P. and others

.....Respondents-----
Coram**Ms. Justice Jyotsna Rewal Dua****Whether approved for reporting?¹**

For the Petitioners: Mr. Vishwa Bhushan, Advocate.

For the Respondents: Mr. Anup Rattan, Advocate General
with L.N. Sharma, Additional Advocate
General.-----
Jyotsna Rewal Dua, Judge

Notice. Mr. L.N. Sharma, learned Additional Advocate General, appears and waives service of notice on behalf of the respondents.

2. In view of the grievance of the petitioners and the nature of order being passed hereinafter, there is no necessity to call for reply from the respondents. Matters have accordingly been heard at this stage.

3. Petitioners' grievance is that in terms of office memorandums issued on 02.03.2024, 16.10.2024 and 15.10.2025, arrears on account of Dearness Allowance (DA) are admissible to them w.e.f. 01.07.2022, yet these have

¹Whether reporters of print and electronic media may be allowed to see the order? Yes.

not been released to them. Petitioners seek release of DA arrears w.e.f. 01.07.2022. Petitioners have also alleged discrimination citing notifications dated 10.10.2024 (Annexure P-9) and 03.02.2026 (Annexure P-10), whereunder, a specific category of State Government employees has been extended the Dearness Allowance at Central Government rates from the due dates. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners have submitted representations at Annexure P-11 to the competent authorities for the redressal of their grievances, however, the same have not been decided till date. Learned counsel further submits that the petitioners would be content in case the respondents/competent authority(s) are directed to decide the aforesaid representations in accordance with law within a fixed time schedule. Learned Additional Advocate General is not averse to this prayer.

4. Keeping in view the grievance of the petitioners, which is based upon respondents' office memorandums dated 02.03.2024, 16.10.2024 & 15.10.2025; the fact that petitioners' representations (Annexure P-11 in all these petitions) are pending in that regard and having regard to the afore-submissions, but without examining the matters on merits, these writ petitions are disposed of with a

direction to respondents No.1 and 2/competent authority to consider and decide the aforesaid representations seeking release of five pending instalments of Dearness Allowance and DA arrears statedly due to the petitioners w.e.f. 01.07.2022 in accordance with law keeping in view the aforesaid office memorandums, within a period of six weeks from today. The decision so arrived at shall also be communicated to the petitioners. In case the Dearness Allowance and five instalments of DA arrears are admissible to the petitioners, as claimed by them, the same be also released within the aforesaid period.

The writ petitions stand disposed of in the above terms, so also the pending miscellaneous application(s), if any.

October 01, 2026
Mukesh

Jyotsna Rewal Dua
Judge