

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA  
AT CHANDIGARH**

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**CWP No.12069 of 2021  
Decided on : 08.07.2021**

Dr. Smruti Rekha Mishra and another

... Petitioners

Versus

State of Haryana and others

... Respondents

**CORAM : HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE G.S. SANDHAWALIA**

Present: Mr. Neeraj Sheoran, Advocate for the petitioners.

(The proceedings are being conducted through video  
conferencing, as per instructions.)

**G.S. Sandhawalia, J. (Oral)**

The petitioners in the present writ petition filed under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India seek directions for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondent No.2 to extend the contract of the petitioners, who are stated to be Research Scientist and working with respondent No.2, in the interest of justice.

A perusal of the paper-book would go on to show that they were appointed on contract basis for a period of six months and the said contract was extended from time to time on account of Covid-19 pandemic. The terms of appointment as such were extended for three months respectively by various orders. Representations (Annexures P-6 and P-7) have been filed on the ground that another set of contractual employees may replace them through a outsourcing policy.

Notice of motion.

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Mr. Harish Kumar Nain, AAG, Haryana accepts notice on behalf of the respondents/State. He has placed on record the order dated 07.07.2021 wherein the petitioners' engagements have been extended on the same contractual amounts through M/s Shivalik House Keeping Services immediately after completion of their earlier contract.

It is, thus, apparent that the petition has been rendered infructuous to that extent and the petitioners' apprehension that another set of contractual employees shall replace them has come to an end. In the considered opinion of this Court, no further orders are called for in view of the said development.

Petition stands disposed of, accordingly.

**July 08, 2021**  
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**(G.S. SANDHAWALIA)**  
**JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether Reportable:

Yes/No