IN THE HIGH COURT OF HIMACHAL PRADESH, SHIMLA

CWP Nos.14300 to 14305, 14311,
15890 & 15898 of 2024
Date of decision: 27.12.2024

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1. CWP No.14300 of 2024

Kailash Nath Sharma & Ors. ...Petitioners.

Versus

State of H.P. & Ors. ...Respondents.

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2. CWP No.14301 of 2024

Dhani Ram Sharma. ...Petitioner.

Versus

State of H.P. & Ors. ...Respondents.

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3. CWP No.14302 of 2024

Bal Krishan Soni. ...Petitioner.

Versus

State of H.P. & Ors. ...Respondents.

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4. CWP No.14303 of 2024

Surjeet Singh & Anr. ...Petitioners.

Versus

State of H.P. & Ors. ...Respondents.

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5. CWP No.14304 of 2024

Gian Chand. ...Petitioner.

Versus

State of H.P. & Ors. ...Respondents.

Whether reporters of Local Papers may be allowed to see the judgment? Yes

6. CWP No.14305 of 2024

Raj Kumari Sharma & Anr. ...Petitioners.

Versus

State of H.P. & Ors. ...Respondents.

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7. CWP No.14311 of 2024

Vishweshwat Datt & Anr. ...Petitioners.

Versus

State of H.P. & Ors. ...Respondents.

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8. CWP No.15890 of 2024

Sita Devi. ...Petitioner.

Versus

State of H.P. & Ors. ...Respondents.

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9. CWP No.15898 of 2024

Gian Chand. ...Petitioner.

Versus

State of H.P. & Ors. ...Respondents.

Coram:

Ms. Justice Jyotsna Rewal Dua, Judge.

Whether approved for reporting?

For the petitioners	:	Mr. Raj Thakur, Advocate.
For the respondent(s)	:	Mr. Anup Rattan, Advocate General with Mr. Amandeep Sharma & Mr. Dalip K. Sharma, Additional Advocates General, for respondents-State.

Jyotsna Rewal Dua, Judge

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

2. The writ petitions have been filed for the grant of following substantive relief(s) extracted from one of the writ petitions:-

> *"i). That the respondents may very kindly be directed to grant the pay scale of Rs. 5480-8925 as is prescribed to the post of Shastri teacher instead of pay scale of Rs. 5000-8100 as was granted to him on his initial appointment on 01.04.1999, with all consequential benefits and the arrears accrued thereunder may very kindly be ordered to be released with interest @ 9% p.a., in the interest of justice."*

3. According to the petitioners, the legal issue involved in the cases has already been adjudicated upon. The grievance of the petitioners is that their representations have still not been decided by the respondents/competent authority

4. Once the legal principle involved in the adjudication of present petition has already been decided, it is expected from the welfare State to consider and decide the representation of the aggrieved employee within a reasonable

time and not to sit over the same indefinitely compelling the employee to come to the Court for redressal of his grievances. This is also the purport and object of the Litigation Policy of the State. Not taking decision on the representation for months together would not only give rise to unnecessary multiplication of the litigation but would also bring in otherwise avoidable increase to the Court docket on unproductive government induced litigation.

5. In view of above, these writ petitions are disposed of by directing respondents/competent authority to consider and decide the respective representations of the petitioners, in accordance with law within a period of six weeks from today. The order so passed be also communicated to the petitioners.

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

Jyotsna Rewal Dua
Judge

27th December, 2024
(Pardeep)