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

**CWP-18745-2016 (O&M)
Date of decision: 09.01.2025**

Court on its own motion

.....Petitioner

Versus

Panjab University, Chandigarh and others

.....Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SHEEL NAGU, CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDHIR SINGH**

Present: Mr. Akshay Kumar Goel, Advocate,
for respondent-Panjab University.

Mr. Salil Sabhlok, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Deepak Balyan, Addl. A.G., Haryana.

Mr. Satya Pal Jain, Additional Solicitor General of India,
with Mr. Arun Gosain, Senior Govt. Counsel,
for Union of India.

Mr. Amit Bansal, Advocate,
for Mr. Ashe Kumar Goyal, Advocate,
for respondent-UGC.

SHEEL NAGU, C.J. (ORAL)

This Court has taken suo moto cognizance of the news item published in the Indian Express newspaper dated 03.09.2016 that the Panjab University may have to be shut down by January, 2017, if the Centre does not clear the funds.

2. After going through the orders that were passed after taking suo moto cognizance, it appears that the funds were ultimately released by the end of 2016-2017 and the

University, for the time being, is not faced with any financial

crises. The critical situation, which existed in 2016, obviously must have been over since the University continues to function for the last more than eight years.

3. In view of the above, this Court does not deem it appropriate to keep this petition pending and therefore, disposes of the same with liberty to the Panjab University to visit the Court, in case any such similar issue arises in future.

4. The writ petition stands disposed of.

5. All the pending application(s) also stand disposed of.

**(SHEEL NAGU)
CHIEF JUSTICE**

**(SUDHIR SINGH)
JUDGE**

09.01.2025

Ajay Prasher

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No
Whether reportable : Yes/No