IN THE HIGH COURT OF HIMACHAL PRADESH, SHIMLA

CWP No. 17561 &17562 of 2026
Decided on: 07.10. 2026

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1. CWP No. 17561 of 2026

Kanhya Lal **.....Petitioner**

Versus

Himachal Road Transport Corporation
and others **.....Respondents**

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2. CWP No.17562 of 2026

Hem Singh **.....Petitioner**

Versus

Himachal Road Transport Corporation
and others **.....Respondents**

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Ms. Justice Jyotsna Rewal Dua

Whether approved for reporting?[1]

For the Petitioners: Mr. Loveneesh Thakur, Advocate, in both matters.

For the Respondents: M/s Rahul Gathania, and Shrutika Chauhan, Advocates, in the respective matters.

Jyotsna Rewal Dua, Judge

Learned counsel for the respondent-Himachal Road Transport Corporation has placed on record office instructions dated 29.09.2026. These instructions, *inter*

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

alia, convey that Board of Directors of respondent-Corporation, in its meeting convened on 19.06.2023, vide Item No.153.07, had approved revision of pension/family pension of pre-2016 retirees at 50% and 30%, respectively, of the levels of Pay Matrix; The Board had specifically decided that benefit of revision of pension/family pension would be made effective for actual payment from July, 2023 onwards; Fixation/revision was to be made notionally w.e.f. 01.01.2016, whereas actual monetary benefits were made admissible from July 2023, onwards.

2. Office instructions are also to the effect that the respondent-Corporation has accordingly implemented office letter dated 22.07.2023 (Annexure P-1) inasmuch as revised pensionary benefits have already been released to the eligible pensioners on actual basis w.e.f. July, 2023 onwards.

3. As per the office instructions, regarding petitioners' claim for arrears for the period 01.01.2016 to 30.06.2023, no decision as yet has been taken by the Board of Directors of respondent-Corporation for release/payment of such arrears, even though notional fixation of pension has been carried out w.e.f. 01.01.2016 for releasing the

admissible arrears to the eligible pensioners including the petitioners from July, 2023 onwards.

In view of above, these writ petitions seeking implementation of Annexure P-1, office letter dated 22.07.2023, are disposed of with liberty reserved to the petitioners to seek appropriate remedy for the redressal of their surviving grievances for claiming balance arrears of pension w.e.f. 01.01.2016 to 30.06.2023 in accordance with law. Pending miscellaneous application(s), if any, also stand disposed of.

Jyotsna Rewal Dua
Judge

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