IN THE HIGH COURT OF HIMACHAL PRADESH, SHIMLA

CWP No. 20310 of 2026

Decided on: 19.11 2026

Prem Raj **.....Petitioner**

Versus

Himachal Pradesh Tourism Development Corporation Limited and Anr. **.....Respondents**

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Ms. Justice Jyotsna Rewal Dua

Whether approved for reporting?[1]

For the Petitioner: Mr. Nishant Khidtta, Advocate.

For the Respondents: Mr. Homender, Advocate vice Mr. Shivank S. Panta, Advocate.

Jyotsna Rewal Dua, Judge

Notice. Mr. Homender, learned vice counsel, appears and waives service of notice on behalf of the respondents.

2. This writ petition has been filed for the grant of following substantive reliefs: -

> *(i) That a writ in the nature of mandamus may kindly be issued directing the respondents to release/ make payment of balance gratuity amount of rupees 5,82,419/- (Five lakhs eighty Two Thousand Four Hundred Nineteen Rupees) and payment of leave encashment of Rs 2,62,085 (Two Lakhs Sixty Two Thousand Eighty Five Rupees) as calculated for 113 days and further be directed to calculate and pay the leave encashment of remaining 187 days, with applicable statutory interest and also penal interest.*
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> *ii. That the writ in the nature of mandamus may kindly be issued directing the respondents to further pay the*

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

revised higher amount of Gratuity and Leave Encashment on account of Gratuity and Leave Encashment on account of pay fixation on the new pay scale/H.P. Civil Services (Revised Pay) Rules, 2022, as well as Payment of Gratuity (Amendment) Act, 2018 with applicable statutory interest throughout and penal interest as deemed just and proper by this Honourable Court.

(iii) That the writ in the nature of mandamus may kindly be issued directing the respondents to further pay the arrears of salary along with dearness allowance on account of revised pay fixation on the new pay scale/ H.P. Civil Services (Revised Pay) Rules, 2022, w.e.f. 1st January, 2016 till the date of retirement i.e. 31/10/2025 with interest throughout."

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the relief has been claimed on the strength of ***Tulsi Ram vs. Himachal Pradesh Tourism Development Corporation Limited***[2]. It is an admitted position of the parties that aforesaid judgment is now pending consideration in review petition.

4. Taking note of the grievance of the petitioner, this writ petition is disposed of with directions to the respondents to decide the case of the petitioner for the redressal of the grievances raised herein within six weeks of the adjudication of the review petition. Liberty, however, is reserved to the petitioner to seek appropriate remedy for the redressal of his surviving grievances in accordance with law

[2] CWP No.4427 of 2023, decided alongwith connected matters on 11.01.2024

at an appropriate stage, in case necessity so arises in future.

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

Jyotsna Rewal Dua
Judge

19th November , 2026
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