IN THE HIGH COURT OF HIMACHAL PRADESH, SHIMLA

CWP No.19754 of 2026 alongwith connected matters

Decided on: 5th November, 2026

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1. CWP No.19754 of 2026

Sanjeev Kumar **.....Petitioner**

Versus

State of H.P. and others **.....Respondents**

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2. CWP No.19758 of 2026

Joginder Kumar **.....Petitioner**

Versus

State of H.P. and others **.....Respondents**

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3. CWP No.19814 of 2026

Rajender Singh **.....Petitioner**

Versus

State of H.P. and others **.....Respondents**

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4. CWP No.19892 of 2026

Shaffali Sharma **.....Petitioner**

Versus

State of H.P. and others **.....Respondents**

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5. CWP No.19895 of 2026

Pooja Thakur **.....Petitioner**

Versus

State of H.P. and others **.....Respondents**

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6. CWP No.19897 of 2026

Sagli Singh Thakur **.....Petitioner**

Versus

State of H.P. and others **.....Respondents**

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7. CWP No.19899 of 2026

Deep Kumar **.....Petitioner**

Versus

State of H.P. and others **.....Respondents**

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8. CWP No.19900 of 2026

Surinder Kumar **.....Petitioner**

Versus

State of H.P. and others **.....Respondents**

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9. CWP No.19901 of 2026

Dharam Singh **.....Petitioner**

Versus

State of H.P. and others **.....Respondents**

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10. CWP No.19903 of 2026

Puja **.....Petitioner**

Versus

State of H.P. and others **.....Respondents**

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11. CWP No.19905 of 2026

Poonam Kumari **.....Petitioner**

Versus

State of H.P. and others **.....Respondents**

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12. CWP No.19916 of 2026

Pankaj Kumar **.....Petitioner**

Versus

State of H.P. and others **.....Respondents**

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Ms. Justice Jyotsna Rewal Dua

Whether approved for reporting?[1]

For the Petitioners: Mr. Vishwa Bhushan, Advocate.

For the Respondents: Mr. L.N. Sharma, Additional Advocate General.

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

Jyotsna Rewal Dua, Judge

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

2. In view of the grievance of the petitioners and the nature of order being passed hereinafter, there is no necessity to call for reply from the respondents. Matters have accordingly been heard at this stage.

3. Petitioners' grievance is that in terms of office memorandums issued on 02.03.2024, 16.10.2024 and 15.10.2025, arrears on account of Dearness Allowance (DA) are admissible to them w.e.f. 01.07.2022, yet these have not been released to them. Petitioners seek release of DA arrears w.e.f. 01.07.2022. Petitioners have also alleged discrimination citing notifications dated 10.10.2024 (Annexure P-9) and 03.02.2026 (Annexure P-10), whereunder, a specific category of State Government employees has been extended the Dearness Allowance at Central Government rates from the due dates. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners have submitted representations at Annexure P-11 to the competent authorities for the redressal of their grievances, however, the same have not been decided till date. Learned

counsel further submits that the petitioners would be content in case the respondents/competent authority(s) are directed to decide the aforesaid representations in accordance with law within a fixed time schedule. Learned Additional Advocate General is not averse to this prayer.

4. Keeping in view the grievance of the petitioners, which is based upon respondents' office memorandums dated 02.03.2024, 16.10.2024 & 15.10.2025; the fact that petitioners' representations (Annexure P-11 in all these petitions) are pending in that regard and having regard to the afore-submissions, but without examining the matters on merits, these writ petitions are disposed of with a direction to respondents No.1 and 2/competent authority to consider and decide the aforesaid representations seeking release of five pending instalments of Dearness Allowance and DA arrears statedly due to the petitioners w.e.f. 01.07.2022 in accordance with law keeping in view the aforesaid office memorandums, within a period of six weeks from today. The decision so arrived at shall also be communicated to the petitioners. In case the Dearness Allowance and five instalments of DA arrears are admissible to the petitioners, as claimed by them, the same be also released within the aforesaid period.

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

Jyotsna Rewal Dua
Judge

November 05, 2026
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