IN THE HIGH COURT OF HIMACHAL PRADESH, SHIMLA

CWP No. 19296 of 2026 and connected matters
Decided on: 02.11.2026

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1. CWP No.19296 of 2026

Pradeep Kumar **.....Petitioner**

Versus

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

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2. CWP No.19300 of 2026

Arun Bala **.....Petitioner**

Versus

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

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3. CWP No.19302 of 2026

Rajeev Dhiman **.....Petitioner**

Versus

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

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4. CWP No.19304 of 2026

Sandeep Kumar **.....Petitioner**

Versus

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

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5. CWP No.19307 of 2026

Hari Om Sharma **.....Petitioner**

Versus

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

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6. CWP No.19315 of 2026

Rajesh Kumar **.....Petitioner**

Versus

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

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7. CWP No.19319 of 2026

Dinesh Kumar **.....Petitioner**

Versus

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

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8. CWP No.19321 of 2026

Sneh Lata **.....Petitioner**

Versus

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

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9. CWP No.19294 of 2026

Anuradha **.....Petitioner**

Versus

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

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10. CWP No.19332 of 2026

Baboo Ram **.....Petitioner**

Versus

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

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11. CWP No.19366 of 2026

Sandeepika **.....Petitioner**

Versus

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

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12. CWP No.19367 of 2026

Anil Kumar and Ors **.....Petitioners**

Versus

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

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13. CWP No.19368 of 2026

Abhishek Kumar and Ors **.....Petitioners**

Versus

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

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Ms. Justice Jyotsna Rewal Dua

Whether approved for reporting?[1]

For the Petitioners: Mr. Sudhanshu Sharma, Advocate

For the Respondents: Mr. Rajat Chaudhary, Assistant Advocate General.

Jyotsna Rewal Dua, Judge

Notice. Rajat Chaudhary, learned Assistant Advocate General, appears and waives service of notice on behalf of the respondents in all the writ petitions.

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),

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

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 representation 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 dated 18.05.2026 (Annexure P-11) are pending in that regard and having regard to the afore-submissions, but without examining the matter 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 petitioner 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.

Pending miscellaneous application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed of.

Jyotsna Rewal Dua
Judge

November 02, 2026
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