IN THE HIGH COURT OF HIMACHAL PRADESH, SHIMLA

CWPs No.20119 & 20126 of 2026

Date of Decision: 16.11.2026

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1. **CWP No.20119 of 2026**

Ram Krishan

....Petitioner

Versus

HPSEBL & others

…Respondents

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2. **CWP No.20126 of 2026**

Duni Chand

....Petitioner

Versus

HPSEBL & others

…Respondents

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Hon'ble Mr. Justice Sushil Kukreja, Judge

Whether approved for reporting?[1]

For the petitioner(s) : Mr. Bonit Thakur, Advocate, vice Mr. A.K. Gupta, Advocate.

For the respondents : Mr. Virender Singh Kanwar, Advocate.

Sushil Kukreja, Judge (Oral)

By way of instant petitions, both the petitioners have prayed for the following main relief:-

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1 Whether reporters of Local Papers may be allowed to see the judgment?

> *"(i) That the respondents may be ordered to grant work charge status to the petitioners from the date they completed eight years service, with all benefits incidental thereof in terms of Nanak Chand's case."*

2. Though Mr. Virender Singh Kanwar, Advocate, has put in appearance on behalf of respondents, but before reply, if any, from the respondents could be received, learned counsel representing the petitioners, while inviting attention of this Court to judgment passed by Hon'ble Apex Court in ***SLP(C) No. 10719-10720 of 2025 titled Himachal Pradesh State Electricity Board Ltd. Vs. Nanak Chand & Ors.***, states that issue raised in the instant proceedings already stands adjudicated by Hon'ble Apex Court in Himachal Pradesh State Electricity Board Ltd. (*supra*) and as such, petitioners would be content and satisfied in case directions are issued to the respondents to consider and decide the respective cases of the petitioners in light of aforesaid judgment in a time bound manner.

3. Learned counsel representing the respondents has no objection to aforesaid innocuous prayer(s) made on behalf of the petitioners.

4. Having perused averments contained in the petitions, which are duly supported by the affidavits of the petitioners vis-à-vis judgment sought to be relied upon, this Court finds that issue raised in the instant proceedings already stands adjudicated by Hon'ble Apex Court in aforesaid judgment, if it is so, there appears to be no impediment in issuing directions to the respondents to consider and decide the respective case of the petitioners in light of aforesaid judgment.

5. Consequently, in view of above, present petitions are disposed of with a direction to the respondents to consider and decide the respective cases of the petitioners in light of ***Himachal Pradesh State Electricity Board Ltd.*** (*supra*), expeditiously, preferably within a period of four weeks from today. Ordered accordingly. In case, the petitioners are found to be similarly situate to the petitioner in the aforesaid judgment, they would be extended similar benefits.

Needless to say, authority concerned, while doing the needful in terms of the instant order, shall afford an opportunity of hearing to the petitioners and pass appropriate orders thereupon. All pending applications stand disposed of.

(Sushil Kukreja)
Judge

November 16, 2026
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