IN THE HIGH COURT OF HIMACHAL PRADESH AT SHIMLA

CWP No.19834 of 2026

Decided on: 03.11.2026

Arun Katoch ....Petitioner

Versus

State of H.P. & Anr. ...Respondents

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Ms. Justice Jyotsna Rewal Dua

[1] *Whether approved for reporting?*

For the petitioner: Mr. Devender K Sharma, Advocate.

For the respondents: Mr. Sikandar Bhushan, Deputy Advocate General.

Jyotsna Rewal Dua, Judge

Notice. Mr. Sikandar Bhushan, learned Deputy Advocate General, accepts service of notice on behalf of the respondents.

2. Petitioner is serving as Trained Graduate Teacher (Non-Medical) at GSSS Lapas, statedly situated in hard area of Chohar valley of Mandi District.

3. Petitioner instituted CWP No. 15369 of 2025 seeking direction to the respondents to decide his representation for his transfer from the current place of

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[1] *Whether reporters of Local Papers may be allowed to see the judgment? yes*

posting. The writ petition was decided on 23.09.2025 with direction to the respondents to decide petitioner's representation. On 18.10.2025, the respondents passed an order holding that though the petitioner had completed his normal tenure at GSSS Lapas, but the vacancies were not available in the schools where the petitioner had requested for his transfer. For this reason, petitioner's representation was rejected with the observation that he can represent in future as and when the vacancy arises in the stations of his choice.

Petitioner's grievance is that he has preferred a fresh representation on 27.08.2026 (Annexure P-3), to respondent No.2 for his transfer from current place of posting to a station of his choice and vacancies are now available for his accommodation/posting, but the aforesaid representation has not yet been responded to.

4. Looking to the limited grievance of the petitioner, this writ petition is disposed of by directing respondent No.2 /Competent Authority to consider and decide the aforesaid representation of the petitioner, as expeditious as possible, but not letter than three weeks from today, in accordance

with law and keeping in view the applicable transfer policy . The decision so taken be also communicated to the petitioner.

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

Jyotsna Rewal Dua
Judge

November 3, 2026
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