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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

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Date of Decision: 07.05.2026

Sonia Dahiya

...Petitioner(s)

Versus

Deenbandhu Chhotu Ram University of Science and Technology, Murthal

...Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA

Present:- Mr. Bhupinder Malik, Advocate for the petitioner
(through Video Conferencing)

Mr. Anuj Dewan, Standing counsel for the respondent/University

TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA, J. (Oral)

The petition has been filed with two prayers; *firstly*, for issuing a writ of *mandamus* directing the respondent-University to extend the benefit of minimum pay scale, i.e., ₹57,700 per month along with dearness allowance to the petitioner with effect from 01.11.2017, and *secondly*, for issuance of a direction to the respondent to extend the benefit of summer and winter vacation to the petitioner, as stipulated in the University's academic calendar.

2. Learned counsel for the University points out that with both the prayers, the petitioner has already approached this Court earlier. *Firstly*, she filed CWP-5637-2016, for quashing the practice of the University relieving her during vacation, and a writ in the nature of *mandamus* allowing her to continue till regular appointment is made in the Department, and further to grant her



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salary for the vacation period. The petition is pending adjudication. The second petition filed by her, CWP-956-2020, seeking a writ of *mandamus* to grant minimum of pay scale meant for the post, i.e., ₹57,700 per month, was disposed of vide order dated 15.01.2020, directing the University to decide the petitioner's representation to that effect. Pursuant thereto, office order dated 30.07.2020, Annexure P-21, was passed granting remuneration to the petitioner at the rate of ₹36,000 per month with effect from 01.09.2016, and ₹42,000 per month with effect from 01.01.2020. This order has not been challenged by the petitioner.

3. The facts aforementioned are not in dispute. Therefore, the instant petition is not maintainable, as the office order dated 30.07.2020, granting the enhanced remuneration to the petitioner is not under challenge, and the petitioner's claim regarding salary for the vacation period is already pending adjudication in CWP-5637-2016. Consequently, this petition is not maintainable.

4. Disposed of.

(TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA)
JUDGE

07.05.2026

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Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether reportable

Yes/No