SL. No.	Date	Office Notes, reports, orders or proceedings or directions and Registrar's order with Signatures	COURT'S OR JUDGE'S ORDERS
			SPA/434/2026 Trilok Singh Bhandari and others --Appellants **Versus** State Of Uttarakhand and others --Respondents **Hon'ble Manoj Kumar Tiwari, A.C.J.** **Hon'ble Subhash Upadhyay, J.** 1. Mr. Anil Anthwal, learned counsel for the appellants. 2. Mr. S.M.S. Mehta, learned Standing Counsel for the State. 3. This intra-court appeal is directed against final order dated 09.09.2026 passed by learned Single Judge in Writ Petition (S/S) No. 651 of 2025. By the said order, writ petition filed by the appellants herein, claiming arrears of salary between 04.02.2014 to 31.01.2026 was dismissed on merits as well as on the ground of delay and laches. 4. The operative portion of the impugned order is reproduced below:- *"4. It is the case of petitioners that petitioners are working on teaching and non-teaching post in a non-government recognized aided institution namely 'Shahid Dalveer Singh Raja Junior High School Dhargaon, Tehri Garhwal'. The said institution was granted auxiliary grant in aid on 04.02.2014 but the institution was brought under grant in aid for the purpose of salary only on 01.02.2016.* *5. It is the undisputed case of petitioners that petitioners are getting salary with effect from 01.02.2016 regularly, and now they claim arrears of salary w.e.f. 04.02.2014 to 31.01.2016 only on the ground that auxiliary grant in aid was given to the institution. It is admitted case of petitioners that institution was brought under grant in aid on 01.02.2016, therefore, petitioners have no claim to get salary prior to that date. It is also in the mind of this Court that petitioners have approached this Court after*

			almost 12 years when the auxiliary grant was sanctioned to the institution." 5. We are not inclined to interfere in the matter. From the record, it is revealed that the institution in which appellants were appointed, were included in grant-in-aid list only on 01.02.2016 and appellants were paid salary as was paid to teaching/non-teaching employees of government educational institutions. Appellants claimed salary at the same rate w.e.f. 04.02.2014, even though the school was not receiving any financial aid from the State at the relevant point of time. Thus, the view taken by learned Single Judge cannot be faulted as State cannot be made liable to pay salary to the appellants from the period anterior to the date of grant of financial aid. Even otherwise also, the writ petition was filed by the appellants after more than 11 years and there was no explanation offered for delay and laches. Thus, the learned Single Judge was justified in dismissing the writ petition. We do not find any scope for interference with the impugned judgment. 6. Accordingly, special appeal fails and is hereby dismissed. **(Subhash Upadhyay, J.)** **(Manoj Kumar Tiwari, A.C.J.)** 30.10.2026 30.10.2026 Rajni/KK