IN THE HIGH COURT OF HIMACHAL PRADESH, SHIMLA

CWP No. 19363 & 19288/2026
Decided on: 03.11.2026

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1. CWP No. 19363/2026

Sagar Chander Rana **.....Petitioner**

Versus

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

2. CWP No. 19288/2026

Devinder Singh **.....Petitioner**

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. Ashok Kumar, Advocate.

For the Respondents: Mr. L.N. Sharma, Additional Advocate General.

Jyotsna Rewal Dua, Judge

Petitioners' representation based upon ***Taj Mohammad and others Versus The State of Himachal Pradesh and others***[2] was rejected by the respondents on 31.03.2026 (Annexure P-4). The rejection was primarily on the ground that the "Himachal Pradesh Recruitment and

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[1] **Whether reporters of print and electronic media may be allowed to see the order? Yes.**
[2] CWP No.2004 of 2017, decided alongwith connected matter on 03.08.2023.

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Conditions of Service of Government Employees Act, 2024" had been promulgated.

2. It is an admitted position that "Himachal Pradesh Recruitment and Conditions of Service of Government Employees Act, 2024" has been quashed and set aside in ***Devinder Kumar & Ors. Vs. State of Himachal Pradesh & Anr.***[3]. It is also a matter of record that ***State of Himachal Pradesh & Anr. Vs. Devinder Kumar & Ors.***[4] instituted by the State of Himachal Pradesh against the aforementioned judgment, has been dismissed by the Hon'ble Apex Court on 29.07.2026. While dismissing the appeal, the Hon'ble Apex Court granted four months' time to the State Government to do the needful in terms of the judgment.

In view of the above, these present petitions are disposed of by quashing the impugned order dated 31.03.2026 (Annexure P-4), with direction to the respondents to consider the case of the petitioners afresh for grant of the relief prayed for by them, in accordance with the timeline indicated by the Hon'ble Apex Court. The petitioners are at liberty to seek appropriate remedy for the

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[3] CWP No.3361 of 2025, decided alongwith connected matters on 25.04.2026
[4] Special Leave to Appeal (C) No(s).24885/2026

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redressal of their surviving grievances, if any, at an appropriate stage, in case necessity so arises in future. Pending miscellaneous application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed of.

Jyotsna Rewal Dua
Judge

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