**IN THE HIGH COURT OF HIMACHAL PRADESH, SHIMLA**

**CWP No. 19296 of 2026 and connected matters**
**Decided on: 02.11.2026**

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**1. CWP No.19296 of 2026**

Pradeep Kumar **.....Petitioner**

**Versus**

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

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**2. CWP No.19300 of 2026**

Arun Bala **.....Petitioner**

**Versus**

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

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**3. CWP No.19302 of 2026**

Rajeev Dhiman **.....Petitioner**

**Versus**

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

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**4. CWP No.19304 of 2026**

Sandeep Kumar **.....Petitioner**

**Versus**

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

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**5. CWP No.19307 of 2026**

Hari Om Sharma **.....Petitioner**

**Versus**

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

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**6. CWP No.19315 of 2026**

Rajesh Kumar **.....Petitioner**

**Versus**

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

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**7. CWP No.19319 of 2026**

Dinesh Kumar .....**Petitioner**

**Versus**

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

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**8. CWP No.19321 of 2026**

Sneh Lata .....**Petitioner**

**Versus**

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

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**9. CWP No.19294 of 2026**

Anuradha .....**Petitioner**

**Versus**

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

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**10. CWP No.19332 of 2026**

Baboo Ram .....**Petitioner**

**Versus**

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

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**11. CWP No.19366 of 2026**

Sandeepika .....**Petitioner**

**Versus**

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

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**12. CWP No.19367 of 2026**

Anil Kumar and Ors .....**Petitioners**

**Versus**

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

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**13. CWP No.19368 of 2026**

Abhishek Kumar and Ors .....**Petitioners**

**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. Sudhanshu Sharma, Advocate

For the Respondents: Mr. Rajat Chaudhary, Assistant Advocate General.

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**Jyotsna Rewal Dua, Judge**

Notice. Rajat Chaudhary, learned Assistant Advocate General, appears and waives service of notice on behalf of the respondents in all the writ petitions.

**2.** In view of the grievance of the petitioners and the nature of order being passed hereinafter, there is no necessity to call for reply from the respondents. Matters have accordingly been heard at this stage.

**3.** Petitioners' grievance is that in terms of office memorandums issued on 02.03.2024, 16.10.2024 and 15.10.2025, arrears on account of Dearness Allowance (DA) are admissible to them w.e.f. 01.07.2022, yet these have not been released to them. Petitioners seek release of DA arrears w.e.f. 01.07.2022. Petitioners have also alleged discrimination citing notifications dated 10.10.2024 (Annexure P-9) and 03.02.2026 (Annexure P-10),

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[1]**Whether reporters of print and electronic media may be allowed to see the order? Yes.**

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whereunder, a specific category of State Government employees has been extended the Dearness Allowance at Central Government rates from the due dates. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners have submitted representation at Annexure P-11 to the competent authorities for the redressal of their grievances, however, the same have not been decided till date. Learned counsel further submits that the petitioners would be content in case the respondents/competent authority(s) are directed to decide the aforesaid representations in accordance with law within a fixed time schedule. Learned Additional Advocate General is not averse to this prayer.

**4.** Keeping in view the grievance of the petitioners, which is based upon respondents' office memorandums dated 02.03.2024, 16.10.2024 & 15.10.2025; the fact that petitioners' representations dated 18.05.2026 (Annexure P-11) are pending in that regard and having regard to the afore-submissions, but without examining the matter on merits, these writ petitions are disposed of with a direction to respondents No.1 and 2/ competent authority to consider and decide the aforesaid representations seeking release of five pending instalments of Dearness Allowance and DA arrears statedly due to the petitioner w.e.f.

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01.07.2022 in accordance with law keeping in view the aforesaid office memorandums, within a period of six weeks from today. The decision so arrived at shall also be communicated to the petitioners. In case the Dearness Allowance and five instalments of DA arrears are admissible to the petitioners, as claimed by them, the same be also released within the aforesaid period.

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

Jyotsna Rewal Dua
Judge

November 02, 2026
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