IN THE HIGH COURT OF HIMACHAL PRADESH, SHIMLA

CWP No. 20028 of 2026
Decided on: 5th November, 2026

Dhan Dev **.....Petitioner**

Versus

H.P. State Electricity Board Limited
and others **.....Respondents**

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Ms. Justice Jyotsna Rewal Dua

Whether approved for reporting?[1]

For the Petitioner: Mr. Bonit Thakur, Advocate.

For the Respondents: Mr. Virender Singh Kanwar, Advocate.

Jyotsna Rewal Dua, Judge

Notice. Mr. V.S. Kanwar, learned counsel, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents.

2. Petitioner's grievance is that he was in receipt of monthly salary of Rs.57,375/- till August, 2026, however, in September, 2026, without issuing any notice to him, respondent-Board reduced petitioner's monthly salary to Rs.51,140/-.

Learned counsel for the respondents has placed on record copy of office order dated 03.11.2026, which, *inter alia,* conveys that:-

- Operation of directions No.3.2 and 3.3 contained in office letter dated 04.04.2026 have been stayed vide

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

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order dated 24.09.2026 in *CWP No.15458 of 2026 (H.P. State Electricity Board Employees Union Versus HPSEB Limited and others).*

- In view of above, stepping down of pay or reduction of the salary of the petitioner(s)/concerned officials shall not be effected pending final outcome/further orders in CWP No.15458 of 2026.
- Processing/vetting of pay fixation cases and stepping down of pay under Clauses 3.2 and 3.3 have now been kept in abeyance.
- Salary of the petitioner(s)/officials shall continue to be drawn without any recovery or adverse adjustment until further orders.

3. Learned counsel for the respondents submits that henceforth the petitioner will receive the salary without any deduction.

Taking note of the office order dated 03.11.2026 and the submissions made by learned counsel for the respondents, this writ petition to stand disposed of. Pending miscellaneous application(s), if any, also stand disposed of.

Jyotsna Rewal Dua
Judge

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