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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**
+ **W.P.(C) 3937/2026**
KM SHARMILAPetitioner

Through: Mr. Sushant Singh, Mr. Vinayak
Bhandari, Mr. Vishant Sharma, Mr.
Kunal Kumar, Ms. Teesta Mishra, Ms.
Reeya Singh, Ms. Shubhangi
Aggarwalla, Advs.

versus

UNION OF INDIA & ORS.Respondents

Through: Mr. Siddhartha Shankar Ray, CGSC
with Mr. Kalyan Babu Singh, GP with
Ms. Sonali Modi, Mr. Mukul Dev,
Advs. for R-1
Mr. Kunal Bhardwaj, SPC with Ms.
Bhavna Gupta, Mr. Aman Chaubey,
Advs. for UOI

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+ **W.P.(C) 3957/2026**
PRATIBHA CHAUDHARYPetitioner

Through: Appearance not given

versus

UNION OF INDIA & ORS.Respondent

Through: Ms. Archana Gaur, CGSC with Mr.
Rahul Kumar Sharma Govt Pleader
for R-1/UOI
Mr. Kunal Bhardwaj, SPC with Ms.
Bhavna Gupta, Mr. Aman Chaubey,
Advs. for UOI

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASMEET SINGH

ORDER

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27.03.2026

CM APPL. 19235/2026 & CM APPL. 19310/2026

Exemption allowed, subject to all just exceptions.



The application stands disposed of.

W.P.(C) 3937/2026 & W.P.(C) 3957/2026

1. These are writ petitions filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking the following prayers:-

W.P.(C) 3937/2026

“1. Issue a writ, order or direction in the nature of Certiorari quashing and setting aside the impugned rejection of the Petitioner’s request for linkage and disbursement of fellowship under the National Fellowship for Scheduled Castes (NFSC) scheme, including the rejection in June, 2025 W.P.(C) 3957/2026 and the communication dated 27.01.2026, being illegal, arbitrary, and unsustainable in law;

2. Issue an appropriate writ, order or direction, declaring that the Office Memorandum dated 29.11.2024 issued by Respondent No. 1 is prospective in nature and cannot be given retrospective effect, and is therefore inapplicable to the Petitioner’s case;

3. Issue a writ in the nature of mandamus directing respondents no. 1 and 2 to link the fellowship of the Petitioner with NFSC and ensure the payment of the fellowship amount, including the pending arrears thereof from the date of issuance of the award letter in DBRAU i.e. 12 April 2024;...”

W.P.(C) 3957/2026

“1. Issue a writ, order or direction in the nature of Certiorari



quashing and setting aside the impugned rejection of the Petitioner's request for linkage and disbursement of fellowship under the National Fellowship for Scheduled Castes (NFSC) scheme, including the rejection dated 25.01.2026 and the communication dated 27.01.2026, being illegal, arbitrary and unsustainable in law;

2. Issue a writ in the nature of mandamus directing respondents no. 1 and 2 to link the fellowship of the Petitioner with NFSC and ensure the payment of the fellowship amount, including the pending arrears thereof from the date of issuance of the NFSC award letter i.e. 11 July 2024;..."

2. For the reasons stated in the petitions, issue notice.
3. Mr. Ray, learned CGSC accepts notice on behalf of the respondent No. 1 in W.P.(C) 3937/2026 and Ms. Gaur, learned CGSC accept notice on behalf of the respondent No. 1 in W.P.(C) 3957/2026, seek and are granted 4 weeks to file a reply.
4. Issue notice to all other respondents through all modes including electronic on the petitioner taking steps within one week from today, returnable on 08.07.2026.

JASMEET SINGH, J

MARCH 27, 2026/sp