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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

+ W.P.(C) 1740/2017

**VOLUNTEERS WELFARE ASSOCIATION, HIMACHAL
PRADESH**Petitioner

Through: Mr. Vivek Gupta, Mr. Ankit, Mr.
Govind Gupta, Advs.

versus

UNION OF INDIA & ANRRespondent
Through: Mr Ripudaman Bhardwaj CGSC with
Mr Kushagra Kumar Rana and Mr
Amit Kumar Rana, Advs for UOI

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+ W.P.(C) 2182/2017

VIJAY KUMAR AND ORSPetitioners

Through: Mr. KL Janjani, Mr. Vinod Sharma,
Mr. Gaurav Kumar, Adv

versus

UNION OF INDIA AND ANRRespondent
Through: Mr Vikram Jetly CGSC with Ms
Shreya Jetly Advocate for UOI

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUBRAMONIUM PRASAD

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIMAL KUMAR YADAV

ORDER

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25.08.2025

1. Learned counsel for the petitioners has drawn the attention of this Court to the Order dated 18.01.2018 and more particularly to Paragraph 09



of the said Order to submit that similar relief has been granted by the High Court of Himachal Pradesh to persons who are similarly situated like the Petitioners which has not been challenged in the Apex Court.

2. He states that it was expected that the Government of India would extend the same benefit to the Petitioners who are similarly situated.

3. Per contra, learned counsel appearing for the Union of India states that the nature of the work done by the volunteers of the Himachal Pradesh and the nature of the work done by the Petitioners herein is different. There is also difference in the educational qualification of the Petitioners. Therefore, the said Order dated 18.01.2019 will not be applicable to them.

4. List in the first five matters in the advance list on 15.10.2025.

SUBRAMONIUM PRASAD, J

VIMAL KUMAR YADAV, J

AUGUST 25, 2025/neha