

***Dimple Bala & Anr. Vs. State of Himachal Pradesh & Ors.***  
**CWP No. 6718 of 2026**

06.05.2026 *Present:* Ms. Dhanvanti Devi, Advocate, for the petitioners.  
Mr. J.S. Guleria, Deputy Advocate General, for respondents No. 1 and 2-State.  
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**Notice.** Mr. J.S. Guleria, learned Deputy Advocate General, appears and waives service of notice on behalf of respondents No. 1 and 2- State. He prays for and is granted four weeks time to file reply. Rejoinder thereto be filed within four weeks thereafter.

Issue notice to respondents No.3 to 5, returnable on next date, on taking steps within two days.

List for consideration on **08.07.2026.**

**CMP No. 9735 of 2026**

Notice in the aforesaid terms.

From the material on record, it is apparent that vide judgment dated 30.12.2024, passed in CWP No. 9010 of 2023, titled *Hemant Sharma vs. State of H.P. & Ors.* the circular dated 11.10.2023 (Annexure P-5), issued by the respondent Department was quashed and the findings returned by the Division Bench of this Court, with regard to the enforceability of the notification dated 29.07.2011 vide judgment dated 21.09.2022, passed in CWP No. 1773 of 2020, were reiterated.

It is also apt to record that the judgment dated 21.09.2022, passed in CWP No. 1773 of 2020, has been assailed by the State by filing Special Leave Petition (Civil) Diary No. 5273 of

2023 before the Apex Court, wherein only notice has been issued and the said judgment remains in force.

It is the case of the petitioner that despite the aforesaid factual matrix, the respondents are going to proceed further with the appointment of Shastri/Sanskrit Teachers in terms of already quashed circular dated 11.10.2023 (Annexure P-5), as is evident from the Press Note dated 25.04.2026 (Annexure P-11), whereby the district-wise selection list of candidates proposed to be appointed against the post of Shastri/Sanskrit Teacher on a trainee basis, has been notified, Ld. counsel for parties has submitted that in case respondents are not restrained from making appointment on the basis of circular dated 11.10.2023 (Annexure P-5), irreparable loss shall be caused to the petitioner.

In view of the above, a *prima facie* case is made out in favour of the petitioners for interim protection, as prayed.

Accordingly, the respondents are restrained from making appointments in furtherance to the circular dated 11.10.2023 (Annexure P-5), as well as from offering appointments to the selected candidates, notified and circulated vide Press Note dated 25.04.2026 (Annexure P-11), till further orders.

List for consideration along with main petition on next date.

**(Vivek Singh Thakur)**  
Judge

**(Ranjan Sharma)**  
Judge

06<sup>th</sup> May, 2026 (Shamsh Tabrez)