

Court on its own motion Vs. State of H.P. and Ors.

Item No. S-9

CWPIL No. 35 of 2021

09.01.2025 Present: Court on its own motion.

Mr. Anup Rattan, Advocate General with Ms. Priyanka Chauhan, Deputy Advocate General, for respondents No. 1 to 3 and 5/State.

Mr. K.D. Shreedhar, Sr. Advocate, with Ms. Shreya Chauhan, Advocate, for respondent No.4.

Mr. Amar Vivek Aggarwal, Advocate, (through Video Conferencing) for respondent No. 6.

A letter dated 08.01.2025 addressed to learned Advocate General from the Executive Engineer, HPPWD Rural Division Dhami, District Shimla, H.P. has been placed on record, in which it has been clarified that the allocation of Rs. 7.00 Crores has now been made to the office of Chief Engineer (SZ) on 02.01.2025 for various works i.e. for C/o Porta Cabin Building, C/o Covered areas for indoors sports for students etc.

Learned Deputy Advocate General has drawn reference to the sanction, which was granted on 27.06.2024, a copy of said letter is also taken on record, regarding the work which has to be done, i.e. the work assigned by the University. A letter dated 02.01.2025, issued by the Registrar of Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla, seeking to allocate the said amount under the relevant head is also placed on record.

Accordingly, we are hopeful that as and when the said amount is utilized for the said work, the same be released expeditiously to the concerned. Regarding the other aspects of the cost of construction of the Girls Hostel, a reference has also been made that an amount of Rs. 11.15 Crores was requested to be allocated upto March, 2025 to liquidate the contractual liabilities and remaining amount of Rs. 7.00 Crores for the completion of the building upto September 2025 is still awaited.

We are assured by the learned Deputy Advocate General that the amount for construction of the Girls Hostel will be released at the earliest as per the demand of the relevant officer so that the construction work is not held up as the next academic session is to start.

Accordingly, we defer the proceedings for
10.03.2025.

(G.S. Sandhawalia)
Chief Justice

(Satyen Vaidya)
Judge

9th January, 2025
(sushma)