



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF HIMACHAL PRADESH,
SHIMLA**

**CWP No. 10754 of 2023
Decided on: 24.11.2025**

Prem Chand

...Petitioner

Versus

State of H.P. & Ors.

....Respondents.

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Ms. Justice Jyotsna Rewal Dua, Judge.

Whether approved for reporting?¹

For the petitioner:

Mr. Tarun K. Sharma, Advocate.

For the respondents:

**Mr. Y.P.S. Dhaulta, Additional
Advocate General and Ms. Menka
Raj Chauhan, Deputy Advocate
General.**

Jyotsna Rewal Dua, J

Notice. Mr. Y.P.S. Dhaulta, learned Additional Advocate General, appears and waives service of notice on behalf of respondents.

2. With the consent of learned counsel for the parties, the matter is heard at this stage.

3. Respondents regularized services of petitioner as Beldar (Class-IV category) in Irrigation & Public Health Department (I & PH) vide office order issued on 04.01.2007. Subsequently, vide office order issued on 26.03.2008, respondents conferred work charge status upon the petitioner on his completing ten years of continuous service with 240 days in each calendar year i.e. with effect from

¹ Whether reporters of the local papers may be allowed to see the judgment? yes



01.01.2003. In this writ petition, the petitioner stakes his claim for conferment of work charge status on completion of eight years of continuous daily wages services rendered by him. The claim has been made on the strength of law laid down in ***The State of Himachal Pradesh & Ors. Versus Surajmani & Anr.***² Learned counsel further submits that the petitioner would be satisfied in case the respondents are directed to examine his case in light of the aforesaid judgment within a fixed time schedule. Learned Additional Advocate General is not averse to this prayer.

4. Having regard to the afore-submissions, but without examining the merits of the matter, this writ petition is disposed of with direction to respondents/competent authority to consider and decide the case of the petitioner afresh in accordance with law laid down in ***Surajmani***² within a period of six weeks from today. The decision so arrived at shall also be communicated to the petitioner.

The writ petition stands disposed of in the above terms, so also the pending miscellaneous application(s), if any.

Jyotsna Rewal Dua
Judge

24th November, 2025_(yogesh)

² Civil Appeal No.1595 of 2025, decided alongwith connected civil appeals on 06.02.2025