



**Deep Sharma v. State of Himachal Pradesh and Ors.**

**CWP No. 7425 of 2022**

**21.11.2025** Present: Mr. Ajay Kumar Dhiman, Advocate, for the petitioner.  
Mr. Rajan Kahol and Mr. Vishal Panwar, Additional Advocates General with Mr. Ravi Chauhan and Mr. Anish Banshtu, Deputy Advocates General, for the State.  
Mr. Sat Parkash, Advocate, for respondent No.3.

Notices in the case at hand were issued to the respondents on 20.10.2022, which were duly accepted by learned Additional Advocate General on behalf of respondents No. 1 & 2. While passing aforesaid order, three weeks' time was granted to the respondents to file reply, but fact remains that more than three years have passed, no reply has been filed till date.

Today, during proceedings of the case Mr. Anish Banshtu, learned Deputy Advocate General placed on record communication dated 20.11.2025, issued under the signature of Director (Higher Education), Himachal Pradesh to state that selection of respondent No.3 for the post of Lecturer (Commerce) in the category of Persons with Disability was strictly on merit and as such, prayer made by the petitioner deserves to be dismissed.

Factum with regard to petitioner's having procured 12.05 marks is not disputed, but his precise grouse is that he ought to have been granted one mark for his having placed on record experience certificate. Had respondents considered aforesaid experience certification (Annexure P-2), petitioner



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would have been awarded one more mark and in that eventuality, his total marks would have come out to be 3.5. Since no specific answer to aforesaid plea raised at the behest of the petitioner has been given in the afore instructions, no fruitful purpose would be served by taking those instructions on record.

Though having taken note of callous and negligent attitude of the respondents, there appears to be no justification to grant further time, but on the vehement request of learned Deputy Advocate General and by way of last opportunity, three weeks' further time is granted to the respondents to file reply subject to payment of cost of Rs. 5,000/- to be deposited in Chief Justice Disaster Relief Fund.

List on **19.12.2025**.

**November 21, 2025**  
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**(Sandeep Sharma),**  
**Judge**