

Chetan Kumar & Ors. Vs. State of H.P. & Ors.

CWP No.14960 of 2024

26.05.2025 Present: Mr. Aditya Thakur, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Virbahadur Verma, CGC, for respondents No.5 and 6.

Mr. Sumit Sharma, Deputy Advocate General, for respondents No.3 and 7.

Heard for some time. The principal issue that now remains to be resolved is as to whether the private respondents are releasing the water to the petitioner in terms of the compromise which is at Page-88 of the Paper Book. Whereas, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that terms of the compromise are not being adhered to by the private respondents, learned counsel for the private respondents submits that the compromise is being adhered to in letter and spirit.

Taking into consideration the issue involved in this petition, this Court is of the considered view that it would be in the interest of justice in case, at this stage, the petitioner and the private respondents are relegated to mediation, because in

the considered view of this Court, as the petitioner/
his family is entitled to only 100 ml. water per day in
terms of the agreement, it is not all that the big
issue which cannot be resolved between the parties.

The matter is accordingly sent to the
mediation of Mr. S.C. Sharma, learned Senior
Counsel, who is requested to make an endeavour to
have the matter amicably settled between the
parties. Learned counsel for the parties to inform
learned Mediator of the request made by the Court.
Parties to appear before learned Mediator as and
when directed by him. Registry to make available
the record of the case to learned Mediator as and
when directed. List after the report of learned
Mediator is received.

(Ajay Mohan Goel)
Judge

May 26, 2025
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