

IN THE HIGH COURT OF HIMACHAL PRADESH, SHIMLA

CWP No. 16090/2026

Decided on: 17th September, 2026

Pratibha Negi

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of H.P. and another

.....Respondents

Coram

Ms. Justice Jyotsna Rewal Dua

Whether approved for reporting?¹

For the Petitioner: Mr. Surinder Prakash Sharma, Advocate.

For the Respondents: Mr. Y.P.S. Dhaulta, Additional Advocate General.

Jyotsna Rewal Dua, Judge

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

2. The petitioner seeks a direction to the respondents to refix her pay by granting her annual increments for the period during which she alleges to have worked on contract basis, along with arrears thereof and interest.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the case of the petitioner is covered by **Narain Singh Vs. State of H.P. & Ors.**² and also **State of H.P. & Ors. Vs Narain Singh**³.

¹Whether reporters of print and electronic media may be allowed to see the order? Yes.

² CWP(T) No. 5253/2008 decided on 21.04.2010

³ LPA No. 146/2010 decided a/w connected matters on 01.09.2015

Learned counsel further submits that the petitioner would be content if she is permitted to file a representation before the respondent/Competent Authority for redressal of the grievance raised in the present petition, with a direction to the said authority to decide the same within a time-bound schedule. Learned Additional Advocate General has no objection to the said prayer.

3. Having regard to the above submissions, but without examining the merits of the matter, this petition is disposed of by permitting the petitioner to file a representation within two weeks, which shall be decided by the respondents/Competent Authority within six weeks from the date of receipt of the same, in accordance with law and keeping in view the above judgments. The decision so arrived at shall be communicated to the petitioner. All rights and contentions are left open. Pending miscellaneous applications, if any, shall also stand disposed of.

September 17, 2026
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Jyotsna Rewal Dua
Judge