

**NIKITA CHANDEL Versus THE STATE OF HP AND OTHERS**

**CWP-16168 of 2026**

**16.09.2026** Present: Mr. Suneel Awasthi, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Rajan Kahol & Mr. Vishal Panwar, Additional Advocates General with Mr. Ravi Chauhan & Mr. Anish Banshtu, Deputy Advocates General, for respondents No.1 & 2-State.

Mr. Vikrant Thakur, Senior Advocate with Ms. Shivani Priya, Advocate, for respondent No.3.

**CWP-16168 of 2026 & CMP-24065 of 2026**

Notice. Mr. Vishal Panwar, learned Additional Advocate General & Ms. Shivani Priya, Advocate, appear and accept service of notice on behalf of respondents No.1 & 2 and respondent No.3, respectively. They pray for and are granted one week's time to file reply.

List on 01.10.2026.

**(Sandeep Sharma),  
Judge**

**September 16, 2026**  
(Sunil)