

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF HIMACHAL PRADESH, SHIMLA****CWP No.16439 of 2025****Date of Decision: 17.10.2025****Banita Kumari****.....Petitioner****Versus****State of Himachal Pradesh and Ors.****.....Respondents****Coram****Hon'ble Mr. Justice Sandeep Sharma, Judge.****Whether approved for reporting?****For the Petitioner:** Mr. Vikas Rajput, Advocate.**For the respondents:** Mr. Rajan Kahol, Additional Advocate General with Mr. Anish Banshtu, Deputy Advocate General.**Sandeep Sharma, J.** *(Oral)*

Petitioner herein, who at present is working as Female Health Worker at Aayushman Aarogya Mandir, Bardhan, Block padhar, District Mandi, Himachal Pradesh, has approached this Court in the instant proceedings, seeking therein direction to the respondents to consider and decide her pending representation (Annexure P-3) in a time bound manner, whereby she has prayed for her transfer from afore station to one of the stations of choice as detailed in the representation on the ground that she has already completed normal tenure at present place of posting.

**2.** Having regard to the nature of order proposed to be passed in the instant proceedings, this Court sees no necessity to call for reply from the respondents, who are otherwise represented by Mr. Rajan Kahol, learned Additional Advocate General. Mr. Kahol, fairly



states that representation, if not already decided, shall be considered expeditiously in accordance with law.

**3.** Since it is quite apparent from the pleadings adduced on record in the petition, which is duly supported by an affidavit, that petitioner has already completed normal tenure at present place of posting, which is a hard area, coupled with the fact that transfer policy formulated by the Government of Himachal Pradesh, enables an employee to seek transfer from hard/tribal area to soft area or one of the stations of his/her choice after completion of normal tenure of posting i.e. three summers and two winters, this court sees no impediment in issuing direction to the respondents to consider and decide pending representations of the petitioner, expeditiously, preferably, within four weeks. Ordered accordingly. Needless to say, authority concerned, while doing the needful in terms of instant order, shall afford an opportunity of hearing to the petitioner and pass a speaking order taking note of transfer policy. Pending applications, if any, also stand disposed of.

**October 17, 2025**

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**(Sandeep Sharma),  
Judge**