



IN THE HIGH COURT OF HIMACHAL PRADESH,
SHIMLA

CWP No. 18126 of 2025
Decided on:24.11.2025

Vinod Kumar

...Petitioner

Versus

State of H.P. & Ors.

....Respondents.

Coram

Ms. Justice Jyotsna Rewal Dua, Judge.

Whether approved for reporting?¹

For the petitioner:

Mr. Bonit Thakur, Advocate.

For the respondents:

**Mr.Y.P.S. Dhaulta, Additional
Advocate General and Mr. Rajat
Choudhry, Assistant Advocate
General.**

Jyotsna Rewal Dua , J

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

2. With the consent of learned counsel for the parties, the matter is heard at this stage.

3. Petitioner is serving in the respondent- Irrigation & Public Health Department and has prayed for direction to the respondents to grant him work charge status from the date he completed eight years of service with all incidental benefits.

¹ Whether reporters of the local papers may be allowed to see the judgment? yes



4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the issue involved in the writ petition and the relief prayed for by the petitioner are now covered by the decision rendered by the Hon'ble Apex Court in ***The State of Himachal Pradesh & Ors. Versus Surajmani & Anr.***² The respondent-Department was also the appellant before the Hon'ble Supreme Court in some of the connected matters. Learned counsel further submits that the petitioner would be satisfied in case the respondents are directed to examine his case in light of the aforesaid judgment within a fixed time schedule. Learned Additional Advocate General is not averse to this prayer.

5. Having regard to the afore-submissions, but without examining the merits of the matter, this writ petition is disposed of with direction to respondents/competent authority to consider and decide the case of the petitioner in accordance with law laid down in ***Surajmani***² within a period of six weeks from today. The decision so arrived at shall also be communicated to the petitioner.

The writ petition stands disposed of in the above terms, so also the pending miscellaneous application(s), if any.

Jyotsna Rewal Dua
Judge

24th November, 2025_(yogesh)

² Civil Appeal No.1595 of 2025, decided alongwith connected civil appeals on 06.02.2025