

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF HIMACHAL PRADESH AT SHIMLA**

**CWP No.18358 of 2025 and
connected matters
Decided on: 27.11.2025**

1. CWP No. 18358 of 2025

Ashok KumarPetitioner

Versus

State of HP and ors ...Respondents

2. CWP No. 18366 of 2025

Kuldeep SinghPetitioner

Versus

State of HP and ors ...Respondents

3. CWP No. 18380 of 2025

Kewal SinghPetitioner

Versus

State of HP and ors ...Respondents

4. CWP No. 18406 of 2025

Lal ChandPetitioner

Versus

State of HP and ors ...Respondents

5. CWP No. 18408 of 2025

Sujan SinghPetitioner

Versus

State of HP and ors ...Respondents



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Ms. Justice Jyotsna Rewal Dua

¹ *Whether approved for reporting?*

For the petitioners: Mr. Naresh Kaul and Ms. Sheetal Kaul, Advocates.

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 in all the petitions.

2. Petitioners are serving in the respondent- Jal Shakti Vibhag and have prayed for direction to the respondents to grant them work charge status from the date they completed eight years of service with all incidental benefits.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioners submitted that the issue involved in the writ petitions and the relief prayed for by the petitioners is now covered by the decision rendered by the Hon'ble Apex Court in ***The State of Himachal***

¹ *Whether reporters of Local Papers may be allowed to see the judgment? yes*



Pradesh & Ors. Versus Surajmani & Anr.² Learned counsel further submits that the petitioners would be satisfied in case the respondents are directed to examine their cases in light of the aforesaid judgment within a fixed time schedule. Learned Additional Advocate General is not averse to this prayer.

4. Having regard to the afore-submissions, but without examining the merits of the matters, these writs petitions are disposed of with direction to the respondents/competent authority to consider and decide the respective cases of the petitioners in accordance with law laid down in **Surajmani²** and pass appropriate order in accordance with law within six weeks from today. Copy of the order so passed, be also communicated to the petitioners.

Pending miscellaneous application(s), if any, also to stand disposed of.

November 27, 2025
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Jyotsna Rewal Dua
Judge

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