

Rising Field Public High School Banoi vs. State of H.P.

CWP No. 20070/2025

1.1.2026 Present: Mr. Mohit Thakur, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Ramakant Sharma, Addl. A.G. for the respondents.

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Further one week's time to file reply, as prayed, is granted.

List for consideration on 25.2.2026.

CMP No. 31199/2025

This application has been filed on behalf of the petitioner seeking interim relief directing the respondents to allow the petitioner to ply bus bearing Registration No.HP-68-2626 on road which is 15 years old.

Learned Additional Advocate General submits that in view of provisions of law, restriction of plying the vehicle has been rightly imposed by the authority concerned and therefore, the petitioner is not eligible for interim relief.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the condition, not to ply buses of more than 15 years of age with respect to schools/present petitioner, is stated to have been imposed keeping in view the safety of the children/students. However, there are number of other buses/private buses, which are being permitted to ply even after completing 20–25 years of age.

It has been submitted that safety concern with respect to the students as well as passengers cannot be on different parameters and in case passengers travelling in 20

years old bus are safe, then there is no reason to construe that students travelling in 15 years old bus would be unsafe.

On the aforesaid facts, prima facie, a case is made out for granting an interim relief in favour of the petitioner. Accordingly, the respondents are directed to permit the petitioner to ply the bus bearing Registration No.HP-68-2626 to transport the students, but subject to completion of all other formalities and conditions, except the age of vehicle. Completion of all formalities and conditions be done within three days positively.

The interim order shall continue till pendency of the petition, subject to alteration, vacation and modification in future.

Reply to the application, if any, be filed within one week.

List for consideration along with main petition.

(Vivek Singh Thakur)
Judge

(Romesh Verma)
Judge

1.1.2026
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