



Anita Thakur Vs. Rakesh Kumar & Ors.

COPC No.1562 of 2025

10.03.2026 Present: Mr. Rajesh Kumar, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Y.P.S. Dhaulta, Additional Advocate General,
for the respondents.

CWP No.3686 of 2023 instituted by the petitioner
was decided on 12.08.2025 with following operative
directions:-

“5. In view of above discussion, the writ petition is allowed. Impugned decision of the respondents contained in office letter dated 13.03.2025 (Annexure P-15) is quashed and set aside. The petitioner shall be deemed to be promoted as Headmistress in terms of office order dated 12.09.2022 (Annexure P-9). She shall be entitled to all notional benefits consequent upon this promotion. Actual benefits shall be admissible to her with effect from the date of joining the promotional post. Respondents are directed to assign fresh station to the petitioner consequent upon her promotion as Headmistress within two weeks i.e. by 28.08.2025.”

2. Pursuant to the orders passed in this petition on 06.01.2026 and 08.01.2026, learned Additional Advocate General has placed on record office instructions dated 09.03.2026 from the Director School Education, Himachal Pradesh, conveying that the petitioner has been promoted to the post of Headmaster on notional basis w.e.f. 12.09.2022. Copy of the office order dated 20.02.2026, promoting the petitioner to the post of Headmaster on notional basis w.e.f. 12.09.2022, has also been enclosed alongwith the office instructions.



3. Learned counsel for the petitioner states that the petitioner has now joined pursuant to her promotion under office order dated 20.02.2026. A grievance, however, has been made that in terms of directions issued in CWP No.3686 of 2023, petitioner was to be given actual promotion by assigning fresh station within two weeks from the date of judgment, i.e. by 28.08.2025 and the petitioner had been held entitled to actual benefits from the date of joining the promotional post.

4. It appears that the respondents had accepted the decision rendered in CWP No.3686 of 2023, but it was implemented not within the specific timelines and the date in terms of the judgment. Resultantly, petitioner's actual promotion has been delayed by few months. Petitioner's grievance, therefore, is genuine that she is entitled to the actual benefits of promotion as Headmistress w.e.f. 28.08.2025 and not w.e.f. 20.02.2026.

5. Let the respondents file fresh compliance affidavit within two weeks in respect of release of actual monetary benefits to the petitioner attached to the post of Headmistress w.e.f. 28.08.2025.

List on **25.03.2026.**

March 10, 2026
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Jyotsna Rewal Dua
Judge