

**HIGH COURT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR AND LADAKH
AT JAMMU**

Case: WP(C) No.2666/2023

Parul Sharma

.....Petitioner(s)

Through: Mr. Atharav Mahajan, Advocate

Vs

UT of J&K & Ors.

..... Respondent(s)

Through: Mr. Ajay Bakshi, Advocate for R-5
Ms. Palvi Sharma, Advocate vice
Mr. Ravinder Gupta, AAG for R-1 to 4

Coram: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY DHAR, JUDGE

ORDER
28.01.2026

1. The decision of this case turns on the determination of the issue as to which amongst the petitioner and the private respondent is more destitute became in terms of criteria applicable to engagement of helpers in Anganwadi Centres, the most destitute/needy married woman of the ward, amongst those who fulfill the qualification criteria, is to be given preference.
2. The official respondents in their reply have submitted that the private respondent was found to be the most destitute woman amongst the eligible candidates, which is being disputed by the petitioner.
3. In order to ascertain the veracity of the claim made by the respondents, learned counsel for the official respondents shall produce the record relating to the

selection on next date of hearing.

4. List on **27.02.2026**.
5. Interim direction(s), if any, shall continue.

(Sanjay Dhar)
Judge

Jammu
28.01.2026
Sneha

