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112 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA  
AT CHANDIGARH

CWP-10996-2026

Date of Decision : 10.04.2026

UNION OF INDIA AND ANOTHER .....Petitioners  
VERSUS  
DEFENCE ACCOUNTS PENSIONERS WELFARE ASSOCIATION  
(REGD.) THROUGH ITS PRESIDENT AND OTHERS  
.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI  
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK MANCHANDA

Present: Mr. Rohit Verma, Advocate for the petitioners.

**HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI, J. (Oral)**

1. In the present petition, the challenge is to the impugned order dated 17.09.2025 (Annexure P-1) passed by respondent No.3-Central Administrative Tribunal, Chandigarh, (hereinafter referred to as 'the Tribunal') by which, the claim of the respondents have been allowed.

2. After arguing for some time, learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the question of law involved in the judgment of the Delhi High Court in WP (C) 1523 of 2016 titled "All India Railway Accounts Staff Association and Ors. vs. Union of India", decided on 18.12.2019, which judgment has been relied upon by the Tribunal to grant the benefit vide impugned order (Annexure P-1) was kept open and subsequently, the said issue has been decided in favour of the Department by the Madras High Court by a subsequent judgment however, the same could not be brought to the notice of the Tribunal. Hence, the present petition may kindly be disposed of as not pressed any further, with liberty to file a review before the Tribunal.

3. Ordered accordingly.

(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)  
JUDGE

10-04-2026  
Sapna Goyal

(DEEPAK MANCHANDA)  
JUDGE

NOTE: Whether speaking/ reasoned: YES  
Whether reportable: NO