

HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE FOR RAJASTHAN
BENCH AT JAIPUR

S.B. Civil Miscellaneous Application No. 20/2019

Sohan Lal Meghwal S/o Modulal Meghwal & Ors.

-----Petitioners

Versus

State Of Rajasthan & Ors.

-----Respondents

Connected With

1. S.B. Civil Miscellaneous Application No. 280/2018
2. S.B. Civil Miscellaneous Application No. 289/2018
3. S.B. Civil Miscellaneous Application No. 292/2018
4. S.B. Civil Miscellaneous Application No. 293/2018
5. S.B. Civil Miscellaneous Application No. 294/2018
6. S.B. Civil Miscellaneous Application No. 295/2018
7. S.B. Civil Miscellaneous Application No. 296/2018
8. S.B. Civil Miscellaneous Application No. 297/2018
9. S.B. Civil Miscellaneous Application No. 298/2018
10. S.B. Civil Miscellaneous Application No. 299/2018
11. S.B. Civil Miscellaneous Application No. 16/2019
12. S.B. Civil Contempt Petition No. 245/2019
13. S.B. Civil Contempt Petition No. 363/2019
14. S.B. Civil Miscellaneous Application No. 47/2023
15. S.B. Civil Miscellaneous Application No. 48/2023
16. S.B. Civil Miscellaneous Application No. 49/2023
17. S.B. Civil Miscellaneous Application No. 50/2023
18. S.B. Civil Miscellaneous Application No. 76/2023

For Petitioner(s)	:	Mr. Mahendra Shah, Sr. Adv. with Mr. Sunil Kumar Jain Mr. Virendra Lodha, Sr. Adv. with Mr. Gaurav Sharma Mr. Pradeep Singh
For Respondent(s)	:	Dr. V.B. Sharma, AAG with Mr. Aman Bhargava Mr. Harshit Tiwari Mr. Bhawani Singh Detha, IAS, Principal Secretary, Higher Education, present in person. Mr. Sunil Sharma, IAS, Commissioner, College Education, Higher Education, present in person

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MAHENDAR KUMAR GOYAL
Order

18/10/2023

In furtherance of direction of this Court dated 07.10.2023,
Shri Bhawani Singh Detha, the Principal Secretary, Higher &

Technical Education, Government of Rajasthan is present in the Court. He has submitted an additional affidavit dated 18.10.2023.

As per the additional affidavit, vide order dated 05.10.2023, Joint Director (HRD), College Education, directed all the Government Colleges in Rajasthan to furnish the information with regard to arrears of DA on the basic pay.

Shri Detha submits that as per the due drawn statement of the arrears on DA, a sum of ₹12.29 crores is to be paid to the petitioners and other similarly situated persons for which a request has been made to the Finance Department for sanction of budget. He prays for four weeks' time to ensure compliance. With regard to payment of House Rent Allowance, it is stated in the additional affidavit that the University Grants Commission has clarified vide letter dated 23.08.2023 issued in response to the letter dated 25.07.2023 written by the Commissioner, College Education, that the 'gross salary' includes only minimum pay and DA and therefore, the House Rent Allowance is not payable to the petitioners.

Time prayed for is granted. It is made clear that failing compliance, not only the Principal Secretary, Department of Higher Education, Government of Rajasthan shall remain present in the Court on the next date; but, a cost of ₹1,00,000/- shall also be leviable.

List these matters on 22.11.2023 as prayed.

(MAHENDAR KUMAR GOYAL),J