

IN THE HIGH COURT OF HIMACHAL PRADESH, SHIMLA

CWP No.5288 of 2026
Decided on :30.04.2026

Simrata Devi

...Petitioner

Versus

Himachal Road Transport Corporation and another

...Respondents

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Hon'ble Mr. Justice Jiya Lal Bhardwaj, Judge

*Whether approved for reporting?*¹

For the petitioner: Mr. Hemant Kumar Thakur,
Advocate.

For the respondents: Mr. Shekhar Badola, Advocate,
vice, Mr. Rahul, Advocate.

Jiya Lal Bhardwaj, Judge (Oral)

Notice. Mr. Shekhar Badola, learned vice counsel, appears and waives service of notice on behalf of the respondents.

2. Learned counsel for the respondents submits that the matter can be decided at the admission stage without calling for the reply. He has further admitted that the issue involved in the present petition is squarely covered by the decision in CWP No.3050 of 2014, titled, ***Nek Ram versus State of Himachal Pradesh and***

¹ *Whether reporters of Local Papers may be allowed to see the judgment?*

others, decided on 17.07.2014. He also admitted that in similar facts, a co-ordinate Bench of this Court in CWP No.570 of 2024, titled, **Sohan Lal Sharma vs. HRTC & Ors.**, had disposed of the petition with a direction to the respondents to pay the amount of remaining retiral benefits with actual rate of interest as per applicable rules, till the time of actual payment, which shall be paid to them within a period of six months, from the date of passing the judgment.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner retired as Daftri from the respondents-Corporation on 30.04.2025, however, he has not been paid the full amount of gratuity and leave encashment along with interest at the rate of 9% per annum on the pending dues under law from the date of retirement and further he has no objection in case the petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondents to decide his claim as per the judgments referred above.

4. In view of the prayer made by the petitioner, which has not been opposed by the learned counsel for respondents, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondents-Corporation to release the

benefits to the petitioner and the directions contained in the judgments referred above shall be applied mutatis mutandis to his case. Pending application(s), if any, also stand disposed of.

30th April, 2026

(Anurag)

**(Jiya Lal Bhardwaj)
Judge**