



IN THE HIGH COURT OF HIMACHAL PRADESH, SHIMLA

CWP No.176 of 2023.

Date of decision: 21.03.2023.

Vinay Bhatia

.....Petitioner.

Versus

State of Himachal Pradesh and others

.....Respondents.

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The Hon'ble Mr. Justice Tarlok Singh Chauhan, Judge.

The Hon'ble Mr. Justice Virender Singh, Judge.

Whether approved for reporting?¹ No.

For the Petitioner : Mr. Dinesh Bhanot, Advocate.

For the Respondents : Mr. Anup Rattan, Advocate General with Mr. I.N.Mehta, Mr.Yashwardhan Chauhan, Senior Additional Advocate Generals, Mr. Ramakant Sharma, Additional Advocate General, Ms. Priyanka Chauhan, Deputy Advocate General and Mr. Rajat Chauhan, Law Officer, for respondent Nos.1 to 4.

Mr. Manohar Lal Sharma, Advocate, for respondent No.5.

Tarlok Singh Chauhan, Judge (Oral)

The instant petition has been filed for grant of the following substantive relief:

¹***Whether the reporters of the local papers may be allowed to see the Judgment?Yes***

“It is, therefore, most respectfully prayed that this Hon’ble Court may be pleased to issue directions or order or appropriate writ to the respondents to pay the Gratuity admissible to the petitioner along with up to date interest.”

2. The petitioner has not only an alternate but an efficacious remedy under the Payment of Gratuity Act. Therefore, we are not inclined to interfere.

3. Accordingly, the instant petition is dismissed with liberty to the petitioner to avail of the alternate remedy.

4. Pending application, if any, also stands disposed of.

(Tarlok Singh Chauhan)
Judge

(Virender Singh)
Judge

21st March, 2023.
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