

IN THE HIGH COURT OF HIMACHAL PRADESH, SHIMLA

CWP No.6329 of 2025 Date of Decision: 04.06.2025

Lalit Kumar & Ors.

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Himachal Pradesh & Anr.

.....Respondents

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Hon'ble Mr. Justice Sandeep Sharma, Judge.

Whether approved for reporting?

For the Petitioner: Mr. Ganesh Barowalia, Advocate.

For the respondent: Mr. Anup Rattan, Advocate General, Mr. Rajan

Kahol, Mr. Vishal Panwar & Mr. B.C. Verma, Additional Advocate Generals, with Mr. Ravi Chauhan, Deputy Advocate General, for

respondents-State.

Sandeep Sharma, J. (Qral)

While placing on record communication dated 31.05.2025, issued under the signatures of Under Secretary (TE) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh, Mr. Rajan Kahol, learned Additional Advocate General, states that meeting of Departmental Promotion Committee for promotion to the post of Class-I Gazette Deputy Director Training shall be convened within six months' time.

2. Careful perusal of aforesaid communication reveals that department concerned with a view to ensure proper utilization of Teaching and Non-teaching staff in the Department of Technical Education has started the process of rationalization in Directorate of Technical Education, Government Pharmacy Colleges, Government

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Engineering, Government Polytechnics and Government Industrial

Training Institutes, in consultation with the Department of Finance,

Department of Personnel and other advisory departments, which may

take some time. After rationalization of such Teaching and Non-

teaching staff, the process for filling up the various posts by promotion

as per requirement shall be initiated by the department.

3. Though having taken note of explanation rendered on

record, there appears to be no reason to grant further time, especially

when, it is apparent from the record that repeatedly on one pretext or

other department is delaying the convening of Departmental

Promotion Committee. However, having taken note of assurance given

in the afore communication, this Court deems it fit to dispose of the

present petition with a direction to the respondents to ensure that

meeting of Departmental Promotion Committee in any eventuality for

promotion to the post detailed hereinabove shall be convened

expeditiously, preferably within three months from the date of passing

of this order. Pending application(s), if any, stand disposed of.

List on 06.10.2025 for compliance.

June 04, 2025

(sunil)

(Sandeep Sharma), Judge