

IN THE HIGH COURT OF HIMACHAL PRADESH, SHIMLA

CWP No.11289 of 2026

Decided on: 10th July, 2026

M/s High Spirits Food & Beverages

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of H.P. and others

.....Respondents

Coram

Ms. Justice Jyotsna Rewal Dua

Whether approved for reporting?¹

For the Petitioner: Mr. Vinod Chauhan, Advocate.

For the Respondents: Mr. L.N. Sharma, Additional Advocate
General.

Jyotsna Rewal Dua, Judge

This writ petition has been filed for the grant of
following substantive reliefs:-

- “1. That the impugned letter dated 30.08.2025 and 07.11.2025 (Annexure P-3, P-4) issued by Respondent No. 3 may very kindly be quashed and set aside qua the petitioner, to the extent it directs/requires the petitioner to deposit monthly salaries of Home Guard personnel posted at the petitioner's bottling plant and to submit acknowledgements thereof to the Excise authorities.*
- 2. That the respondents be directed to withdraw all coercive directions issued to the Excise officer In-charge/ASTEO requiring enforcement of salary payments from the petitioner in respect of Home Guard personnel deputed at the petitioner's unit, and restrain them from taking any coercive or adverse action against*

¹ Whether reporters of print and electronic media may be allowed to see the order? Yes

the petitioner or its licenses on account of non-payment of such salaries.”

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner states that he is under instructions to withdraw this writ petition in view of subsequent developments, however, petitioner be reserved liberty to seek appropriate remedy in accordance with law, in case need so arises in future.

Accordingly, the present writ petition is dismissed as withdrawn with liberty as prayed for. Pending miscellaneous application(s), if any, also stand disposed of.

July 10, 2026
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Jyotsna Rewal Dua
Judge