



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF UTTARAKHAND**  
**AT NAINITAL**

HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE SRI MANOJ KUMAR GUPTA  
AND  
HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE SUBHASH UPADHYAY

**WRIT PETITION (M/B) NO. 505 OF 2026**

**19<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2026**

Diwakar and others ..... Petitioners

Versus

State of Uttarakhand and others ..... Respondents

Counsel for the petitioners : Mr. Navnish Negi, learned counsel

Counsel for the respondents : Mr. Sachin Mohan Singh Mehta,  
learned Standing Counsel

**The Court made the following:**

**JUDGMENT:** (per Sri Manoj Kumar Gupta, C.J.)

1) The case of the petitioners is that they have been working as contract employees (Lab Assistants) at Food and Drug Testing Laboratory, Uttarakhand, Dehradun, but they have not been paid their salary and emoluments since January 2026.



- 2) The petitioners have assailed the inter-departmental communication dated 17.02.2026 which only relates to the manner in which the permanent vacancies have to be filled up and extension of services of outsource employees working against the said post for a period of three months.
- 3) As the grievance is that the salary is not being paid since January 2026, therefore, we dispose of the writ petition with liberty to the petitioners to make representation in respect of their grievances before the competent authority and, further provide that in the event any such representation is made within two weeks from today, the same shall be decided by a speaking order within a further period of four weeks.
- 4) Pending application(s), if any, also stand disposed of.

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**MANOJ KUMAR GUPTA, C.J.**

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**SUBHASH UPADHYAY, J.**

Dt: 19<sup>th</sup> JUNE, 2026  
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