IN THE HIGH COURT OF HIMACHAL PRADESH, SHIMLA

Civil Revision No.08 of 2026
Date of decision: 09.10.2026

Himachal Pradesh Waqf Board & Anr. ...Petitioners.

Versus

Asha Devi. …Respondent.

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Hon'ble Mr. Justice Vivek Singh Thakur, Judge.

Whether approved for reporting?[1]

For the petitioners : Mr. R.K. Bawa, Senior Advocate with Mr. Abhinav Thakur, Advocate.

For the respondent : Ms. Oshin Anand Chauhan, Advocate (Legal Aid Counsel).

Vivek Singh Thakur, Judge

Without going into the merits of the petition, after going through the record, I am of the considered opinion that it would be appropriate to grant one, but last opportunity to examine the witnesses on behalf of the petitioners/defendants in the suit before the Trial Court on their own responsibility, on the date to be fixed by the Trial Court after appearance of the parties on 27.10.2026.

2. The aforesaid opportunity shall be subject to payment of cost of ₹20,000/- payable to the respondent/plaintiff on or before 27.10.2026. In case, on the next date before the Trial Court, cost is not

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

paid to the respondent/plaintiff, the opportunity of leading evidence shall stand closed.

3. Petitioners/defendants shall examine their witnesses on the date to be fixed by the Trial Court after 27.10.2026, but within one month thereafter. No further opportunity shall be granted, and in case the petitioners/defendants fail to lead evidence on the date so fixed by the Trial Court, the right to lead evidence on behalf of the petitioners/defendants shall stand closed automatically without requirement of any further order to be passed.

4. Petition is disposed of with direction to the parties to appear before the Trial Court on ***27.10.2026***, for which no separate notice shall be issued, and failure in putting in appearance before the Trial Court shall be followed by the consequences. In case the Trial Court is not available on 27.10.2026, the parties shall appear before the said Court on the next working day as and when the Trial Court will be available.

5. Petition stands disposed of in above terms, so also pending miscellaneous application(s), if any.

(Vivek Singh Thakur)
Judge

9th October, 2026
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