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IN THE HIGH COURT OF UTTARAKHAND AT NAINITAL

THE HON'BLE CHIEF JUSTICE MR. MANOJ KUMAR GUPTA

AND

THE HON'BLE JUSTICE MR. SUBHASH UPADHYAY

Writ Petition (S/B) No. 546 of 2026

20th August, 2026

Dr. Rishi Mudgil and others -----Petitioners

Versus

State of Uttarakhand and others ----Respondents

Presence:-
Mr. Abhijay Negi, learned counsel for the petitioners.
Mr. Amrendra Pratap Singh, learned Additional Advocate General, assisted by Mr. Ranjan Ghildiyal, learned Standing Counsel for the State.
Mr. Ashish Joshi, learned counsel for the respondent no.3.

JUDGMENT : (per Mr. Manoj Kumar Gupta C. J.)

1. The petitioners were engaged as Medical Officers at Urban Health and Wellness Centre (UHWC),City Dehradun, under the Urban Development Directorate and National Health Mission (Ayushman Arogya Mandir) on contract basis through respondent no.4 for a period of 11 months for different periods. The petitioners after serving for few months have submitted their resignations on different dates between April, 2026 to July, 2026. It is noteworthy that respondent no. 4 is the company, which hired the petitioners on behalf of respondent no.5. The grievance urged in the instant writ petition is that petitioners have not been paid their salary for different periods. Apart from praying for a writ

of mandamus commanding the respondents to release their salary, the petitioners have also prayed for a writ of mandamus commanding the respondents not to coerce them to sign Undertaking-cum-Indemnity Form and No Dues Certificate.

2. Mr. Abhijay Negi, learned counsel for the petitioners states that he is not pressing the relief for not coercing the petitioners to submit Undertaking-cum-Indemnity Form and No Dues Certificate. He states that the petitioners would furnish the Undertaking-cum-Indemnity Form and No Dues Certificate within a week but submits that a direction be issued to the respondents to release the arrears of salary of the petitioners within a specified time frame.

3. Mr. Ashish Joshi, learned counsel appearing on behalf of respondent no. 3, on basis of instructions, states that the Government has already released funds for payment of 75% of the salary and accordingly it would be paid within 10 days. He further states that the petitioners have to submit certificate from the concerned centre regarding their actual working and after verifying the period, for which, the petitioners have worked, the remaining 25% salary would be released.

4. Having regard to the aforesaid submissions, we dispose of the writ petition by providing that the petitioners shall submit the required undertakings within a week and the respondents shall release 75 % salary of the petitioners within 10 days, and the remaining amount after verifying the working of the petitioners within next four weeks.

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

(MANOJ KUMAR GUPTA, C. J.)

(SUBHASH UPADHYAY, J.)

Dated: 20.08.2026
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