BEFORE THE UTTARAKHAND PUBLIC SERVICES TRIBUNAL AT DEHRADUN

ORDER

IN

CONTEMPT PETITION NO. C-14 /DB/ 2025

Sri Vinod Kumar Sharma vs. Dr. Surendra Narayan Pandey, Secretary, Agriculture and Farmer Welfare, Govt. of Uttarakhand.

DATED: 19.09 2025

Present: Sri Amar Murti Shukla, Advocate, for the petitioner-applicant.(online) Sri V.P. Devrani, A.P.O., in assistance of the Tribunal.

At the very outset, Ld. A.P.O. objected to the maintainability of the contempt petition *inter alia* on the ground that for enforcement of the selfsame order dated 06.03.2025, co-petitioner Smt. Priyanka Singh has filed execution petition, bearing No. 17/DB/2025, which is pending adjudication before the Division Bench comprising Ld. Vice Chairman (J) and Ld. Member (A). Ld. A.P.O. submitted that as per the scheme of the Uttar Pradesh Public Services (Tribunal) Act, 1976 and Rules framed therein (as appliable to Uttarakhand), normally execution petition is required to be filed first and only when the same is unable to achieve the desired result, civil contempt petition can be filed.

In reply, Sri Amar Murti Shukla, Ld. Counsel for the petitioner/applicant seeks to withdraw the contempt petition with liberty to file execution petition, as per law, for securing compliance of order dated 06.03.2025, passed by the Tribunal in petition No. 67/NB/DB/2022 Priyanka Singh and another vs. State of Uttarakhand and others and connected petition.

Agreeing to Sri Shukla's request, contempt petition is dismissed as withdrawn with liberty as above.

This order has been passed by the Chairman in exercise of jurisdiction conferred under Rule 50 of the Uttar Pradesh Public Services (Tribunal) Rules, 1992, which reads as under:

- "50. Initiation of proceedings.—(1) Any petition, information or motion for action being taken under the Contempt shall, in the first instance, be placed before the Chairman.
- (2) The Chairman or the Vice-Chairman or such other Members as may be designated by him of this purpose, <u>shall determine the expediency or propriety of taking action under the Contempt Act.</u>"

[Emphasis supplied]

The contempt petition thus stands disposed of, at the admission stage, with the consent of Ld. Counsel for the parties.

(JUSTICE U.C.DHYANI) CHAIRMAN

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