

**BEFORE THE UTTARAKHAND PUBLIC SERVICES TRIBUNAL  
AT DEHRADUN**

**CLAIM PETITION NO. 175/SB/2023**

Vinod Chauhan.

.....Petitioner

versus

1. The State of Uttarakhand through Principal Secretary, Government of Uttarakhand, Sachivalaya, Subhash Road, Dehradun-248001.
2. Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (HoFF), 85 Rajpur Road, Forest Headquarters, Dehradun, Uttarakhand.
3. Chief Conservator of Forest, Human Resource Development and Personnel Management, 85 Rajpur Road, Forest Headquarters, Dehradun, Uttarakhand.
4. Mr. Vinod Kumar, the then Principal Chief Conservator of Forest/ HoFF (Retired), r/o 13, Subhash Road, Opposite Police Headquarters, Dehradun-248001.

..... Respondents

Present : Ms. Ketki Chhaya Chaudhary, Advocate, for the Petitioner  
Sri V.P. Devrani, A.P.O., for the Respondents No. 1 to 3

**JUDGEMENT**

**Dated: 16<sup>th</sup> October, 2023**

**Justice U.C. Dhyani (Oral)**

By means of present claim petition, the petitioner seeks following reliefs:

“(i) To issue order or direction commanding the respondents to grant the benefit of the charge of ACF to the petitioner with retrospective effect i.e. from 25.08.2022, as was given to his immediate junior Range Officers placed below the petitioner in the seniority list dated 11.07.2022 (Annexure A-11).

(ii) Any other order or direction the Hon'ble Court may deem appropriate."

2. At the very outset, learned Counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner will make a representation to respondent no. 2, who may kindly be directed to decide such representation of the petitioner, in a time bound manner, in accordance with law.

3. Learned Counsel for the petitioner also submitted that the matter is not covered by the Schedule appended to the U.P. Public Services (Tribunal) Act, 1976 (as applicable to the State of Uttarakhand), therefore, the claim petition may be disposed of, at the admission stage, by the single bench of the Tribunal.

4. Learned A.P.O. has no objection to the aforesaid innocuous prayers of the petitioner.

5. Petitioner has filed various documents along with the claim petition, which the petitioner may file along with the representation to be addressed to respondent no. 2, who is requested to decide the representation of the petitioner, as per law.

6. The claim petition is disposed of, at the admission stage, with the consent of learned Counsel for the parties, by directing respondent no. 2 to decide the representation of the petitioner by a reasoned and speaking order, in accordance with law, without unreasonable delay, preferably within 12 weeks of presentation of certified copy of this order along with representation enclosing the documents in support thereof. No order as to costs.

7. Rival contentions are left open.

**(JUSTICE U.C. DHYANI)**  
CHAIRMAN

*DATE: 16<sup>th</sup> October, 2023*  
DEHRADUN  
RS