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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

+ W.P.(C) 3918/2026 & CM APPL. 19172/2026 (for stay)

SMT. SUNITA DHOR, S.S.

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Biraja Mahapatra, Mr. Abhay
Singh, Advocates.

versus

DELHI CONSUMERS COOPERATIVE WHOLESALE STORE
LTD. (DCCWS) AND ORS.

.....Respondents

Through: Mr. Harshit Chopra, Ms. Swati
Tiwari, Mr. Khushal Chand Agarwal,
Advocates for DCCWS with Mr.
Gurpreet Singh, Legal Assistant.

+ W.P.(C) 3978/2026 & CM APPL. 19486/2026 (for stay)
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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJEEV NARULA

ORDER

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27.03.2026

W.P.(C) 3918/2026 & W.P.(C) 3978/2026



1. The Petitioners are regular employees of Respondent No. 1 (DCCWS), presently posted in the Accounts Section. They have approached this Court being aggrieved by Retirement Order/Notice Nos. DCCWS/33(1)/2026/443-447 and DCCWS/33(1)/2026/438-442, both dated 16th March, 2026, issued by the Manager (Personnel), DCCWS. By way of the impugned orders, the Petitioners have been directed to stand retired from service w.e.f. 31st March, 2026 upon attaining the age of 58 years. The Petitioners seek issuance of a writ of certiorari or any other appropriate writ for quashing the aforesaid retirement notices, as well as a writ of mandamus directing enhancement of the age of superannuation from 58 to 60 years.

2. Issue notice. Mr. Harshit Chopra, counsel for the DCCWS, accepts notice.

3. Let counter affidavit be filed within a period of six weeks from today. Rejoinder thereto, if any, be filed within a period of four weeks thereafter.

4. Re-notify on 06th August, 2026.

CM APPL. 19172/2026 (for stay) in W.P.(C) 3918/2026
CM APPL. 19486/2026 (for stay) in W.P.(C) 3978/2026

5. The counsel for the Petitioners places reliance on order dated 13th February, 2026 passed in W.P.(C) 7950/2023 to contend that this Court had directed the Respondents to take a decision on the issue of enhancement of the age of superannuation, yet no decision has been taken till date.

6. In the aforesaid circumstances, it is urged that the impugned retirement orders dated 16th March, 2026, directing retirement at the age of 58 years, deserve to be stayed.

7. In the opinion of this Court, the extant position remains that the age of



superannuation is 58 years. Whether the same ought to be enhanced is an issue that requires adjudication in the present proceedings. Grant of interim stay, at this stage, would effectively result in continuation of the Petitioners in service beyond the prescribed age, which cannot be directed at the interim stage.

8. Appropriate relief, if any, shall be considered in the event the Petitioners succeed in the writ petitions.

9. With the above directions, the present applications are disposed of.

SANJEEV NARULA, J

MARCH 27, 2026/ab