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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**
+ **CONT.CAS(C) 660/2020 & CM APPLs. 26651/2020, 5145/2021**
NEW DELHI NATURE SOCIETY Petitioner
Through: Mr Aditya N. Prasad with Mr Harsh Vardhan, Advocates.

versus

SHRI VINAY SHEEL SAXENA & ORS. Respondents
Through: Ms Punya Rekha Angara, Advocate for Mr N. Hariharan, Senior Advocate (*Amicus Curiae*).
Mr Anupam Srivastava, ASC, GNCTD/DCF with Mr Dhairya Gupta, Advocates.
Mr Avishkar Singhvi, Mr Naved Ahmed and Mr Vivek Kumar, Advocates.
Mr Shadan Farasat, ASC, GNCTD/PWD.
Mr Satyakam, ASC, GNCTD with Ms Pallavi Singh, Advocate with SI Satyam Pandey, PS: Lodhi Colony, New Delhi
Mr Tushar Sannu, ASC for NDMC.

CORAM:
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAJMI WAZIRI

ORDER

% **21.03.2023**

The hearing has been conducted through hybrid mode (physical and virtual hearing).

1. The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that this court's orders dated 18.02.2021 and 04.03.2021 apropos the Standard Operating Procedure ('SOP') has not been complied with, especially insofar as it was directed that the revised SOP, duly approved by the Tree Officer,



be circulated to all Municipal Corporations and governmental agencies in Delhi. Let an affidavit to this effect be filed by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests ('PCCF') before the next date.

2. The learned counsel for the petitioner further states that the revised SOP has possibly been withdrawn. In this regard, he refers to the affidavit filed by the Engineer-in-Chief, PWD in another case. The revised SOP was to be prepared and circulated in terms of the directions of this court. Let an affidavit in this regard be filed before next date, by the Engineer-in-Chief, PWD.
3. Renotify on 29.03.2023.

NAJMI WAZIRI, J

MARCH 21, 2023/rd