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IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI
TEST.CAS. 37/2024

SURAJ PAL SHARMA

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Anil K Khaware, Mr.
Yogendra Kumar and Mr. Manoj
Ram, Advs. with petitioner in
person.

versus

STATE OF NCT & ORS.

.....Respondent

Through: Mr. Abhinav Garg, Panel Counsel
with Ms. Pallavi Raj, Adv. for
GNCTD (through VC)
Mr. O. P. Aggarwal, Adv. for R-5
(through VC)

CORAM:

**JOINT REGISTRAR (JUDICIAL) SH. GAGANDEEP
JINDAL (DHJS)**

ORDER

02.02.2026

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Proceedings are being conducted through hybrid mode.

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1. Pleadings in the matter are complete and the matter is at the stage of admission/denial of documents.
2. Ld. Counsel for plaintiff submits that the copy of Joint Document Schedule has been shared with the Ld. Counsel for respondent no. 5 on 08.04.2025, 27.05.2025, 18.07.2025. But till date the respondent no. 5 has not revert the Joint Document Schedule back after signatures.
3. Ld. Counsel for respondent no. 5 submits that the main counsel was hospitalized on 22.12.2025 and had undergone surgery on 24.12.2025. Therefore, steps could not be taken.



4. Vide order dated 24.01.2025, respondent no. 5 was directed to revert the Joint Document Schedule back to the plaintiff after signatures within a week which lapsed in first week of December, 2025. Ld. Counsel for respondent no. 5 has undergone surgery in the last week of December, 2025. It seems that respondent no. 5 is deliberately delaying the proceedings. Earlier also respondent no. 5 has failed to file affidavit for admission/denial of additional documents of plaintiff. Therefore, cost of Rs.10,000/- is imposed upon respondent no.5 to be paid to the petitioner who is a senior citizen.
5. If respondent no. 5 would fail to revert back the joint document schedule with a week, then plaintiff shall file the joint document schedule without signatures of respondent no.5.
6. Let Joint Document Schedule including hard copy of the same be filed at least two weeks before the next date.
7. Both the parties shall file hard copies of their documents at least two weeks before the next date.
8. Re-notify the matter for admission/denial of documents and further proceedings on 2nd April, 2026.

GAGANDEEP JINDAL (DHJS)
JOINT REGISTRAR (JUDICIAL)
FEBRUARY 02, 2026/PU
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