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

+ **W.P.(C) 10513/2019 & CM APPL. 43490/2019, CM APPL. 2537/2020**

DALIP KUMAR

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Abhilash Vashisht and Mr. Puneet Bhardwaj, Advs.

versus

UNION OF INDIA AND ORS.

.....Respondents

Through: Mr. Awadhesh Kumar Singh, Adv. for UOI.

Mr. Raghvendra Upadhyaya, PC (GNCTD) with Ms. Purnima Jain and Mr. Ankit Jaiswal, Advs.

(Mb. 9667050278)

Ms. Urvi Mohan, Adv. for GNCTD.

Ms. Puja S Kalra, SC with Mr. Virendra Singh, Adv. for MCD.

Ms. Shagun Shahi Chugh, Mr. Varun Chugh & Ms. Ayushi Agarwal, Advs. for R6.

Inspr. Ram Naresh and Constable R. Zuala for R6.

(Mb. 8810539186)

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+ **W.P.(C) 11342/2019 & CM APPL. 31377/2019, CM APPL. 46739/2019, CM APPL. 2567/2020, CM APPL. 2580/2020**

DALIP KUMAR

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Abhilash Vashisht and Mr. Puneet Bhardwaj, Advs.

versus

UNION OF INDIA & ORS

.....Respondents

Through: Mr. Rajesh Kumar, SPC with Mr. Yash Narain, Adv. for UOI.

Ms. Nandadevi Deka, Mr. Shashwat Pratyush, Ms. Shubhra Sharma and



Mr. Sourav Sharma, Advs. for DDA.
Ms. Niharika Mumkin, SC with Ms.
Niharika Singh and Ms. Sakshi
Saxena, Advs. for MCD.

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W.P.(C) 1097/2020 & CM APPL. 3656/2020

SUSHIL KUMAR GOYAL

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Abhilash Vashisht and Mr. Puneet
Bhardwaj, Advs.

versus

GOVT OF NCT OF DELHI & ORS

.....Respondents

Through: Mr. Anuj Chaturvedi, SC with Ms.
Richa Dhawan and Ms. Yashita Jain,
Advs. for MCD.

Mr. Awdhesh Kumar Singh, SPC for
R2.

Mr. K. G. Gopalakrishnan, Mr. Girish
Kaul, Mr. Abhiram Venugopal, Ms.
Aishwarya Singh Rana, Advs. for R2
& R3.w

Inspr. Ram Naresh and Constable R.
Zuala for R6.

(Mb. 8810539186)

CORAM:

JUSTICE PRATHIBA M. SINGH

JUSTICE MADHU JAIN

ORDER

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1. This hearing has been done through hybrid mode.
2. Respondent No. 6 is stated to have filed the counter affidavit. However, no counter has been filed by Respondent No.1 and Respondent No.7.
3. The issue raised in these petitions is in respect of the Notification dated 27th May, 2019 issued by Department of Urban Development, GNCTD inserting new Clause 7.31 in Chapter 7 of the Unified Building Bye Laws for



Delhi, 2016. The Petitioners are aggrieved by Clause 7.31(vi) and the same reads as under:

“(vi) Fire NOC for Guest-house will not be issued to those building, which have more than four floors (excluding basement and stilt floor)”

4. The Petitioners are running lodging establishments and were aggrieved by this insertion of the clause that no fire NOC would be given to guest houses which have more than four floors.

5. After the filing of this writ petition the counter affidavits have been filed by the Government of NCTD, DDA, the Fire Officer, the Department of Urban Development, Delhi Police and North Delhi Municipal Corporation.

6. In so far as Delhi Police is concerned, it is their stand that after the withdrawal of the Delhi Eating Houses Registration Regulations, 2023, in terms of the notification dated 30th June, 2025 issued by Hon’ble Lt. Governor the Delhi Police has no role to play or take actions against unauthorised Eating Houses or Lodging Houses.

7. In an earlier writ petition being **W.P.(C) 9615/2019** titled ***Lodging House Owners Association (REGD.) v. Government of NCT of Delhi & Ors.***, it appears that there were certain negotiations going on between various guest house owners and the Government - the culmination and outcome of the same is also not clear. The question is whether the impugned notification still continues to be applicable or not.

8. Let Ms. Mohan, Id. Counsel find out the exact status of the impugned notification dated 27th May, 2019 and file a status report in this regard. Ms. Mohan, Id. Counsel shall also find out the result of the negotiations between the Government and the guest house owners, as mentioned above.



9. List on 16th March, 2026.

PRATHIBA M. SINGH, J.

MADHU JAIN, J.

FEBRUARY 18, 2026
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