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

+ **W.P.(C) 16646/2025**

DELHI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITYPetitioner

Through: Mr.Vaibhav Agnihotri ASC,
Mr.Ankit Singh, Mr.Vidit
Pratap Singh, Ms.Suruchi
Khandelwal, Advs.

versus

KAMAL BAHADUR

.....Respondent

Through: Mr.Vivin Kumar Ahuja,
Mr.Aviral Batra, Ms.Nimata
Bharti, Advs.

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAVIN CHAWLA

HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE MADHU JAIN

ORDER

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10.11.2025

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1. Since the learned counsel for the respondent enters appearance, the Caveat stands discharged.

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2. This petition has been filed, challenging the Order dated 04.02.2025 passed by the learned Central Administrative Tribunal, Principal Bench, New Delhi (hereinafter referred to as the 'Tribunal') in O.A. No.928/2024, titled ***Kamal Bahadur v. Delhi Development Authority***, allowing the said O.A. filed by the respondent herein with the following directions:

"6.3 With respect to the merit, the DPC minutes would confirm that the applicant was



at SL No. 4 of the panel of the recommended candidates. Two UR anticipated vacancies arose on 31.12.2014 which were considered by the DPC and recommendations were made against these vacancies as well. The applicant being no. 4 of the panel was entitled for promotion with respect to one of two vacancies that arose on 31.12.2014, either from the same date or from the next date. The respondents were obliged to extend the promotion w.e.f. 01.01.2015 itself in view of the recommendations of the DPC.

For the reasons explained hereinabove, the OA is allowed. The respondents are directed to:-

- (i) Set aside and quash the impugned orders dated 03-08-2023 and also 14-12-2020.
- (ii) issue an order extending promotion to the applicant to the post of Accounts Officer w.e.f. 01.01.2015 itself in light of the DPC recommendations dated 09.09.2014.
- (iii) The applicant would be considered for subsequent promotion to the post of Dy. Chief Accounts Officer (Dy.CAO) by convening a review DPC.
- (iv) In case the recommendations of the Review DPC finds favor to the applicant, he would be extended promotion to the post of Dy.CAO.
- (v) the applicant shall be entitled to all consequential benefits arising from this order.
- (vi) the aforesaid directions shall be complied with by the respondents within a period of 10 weeks from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order.”

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner *inter alia* submits that the OA filed by the respondent before the learned Tribunal was hopelessly barred by the limitation.

4. Issue notice.

5. Notice is accepted by Mr.Vivin Kumar Ahuja, the learned counsel for the respondent.



6. Counter affidavit be filed within a period of four weeks from today. Rejoinder thereto, if any, be filed within a period of three weeks thereafter.
7. List on 2nd March, 2026.
8. In the meantime, there shall be a stay on the enforcement of the Impugned Order.

NAVIN CHAWLA, J

MADHU JAIN, J

NOVEMBER 10, 2025/Arya/ik