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

+ **W.P.(C) 17594/2024**

PRABODH KUMAR SHARMA

.....Petitioner

Through: Ms. Diya Kapur, Senior Advocate
with Mr. Rishabh Sharma, Mr.
Raghav Kumar, Mr. Sidharth Singh
and Ms. Naibedya Dash, Advocates.

versus

**NATIONAL HIGHWAY AND INFRASTRUCTURE
DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LTD & ANR.Respondents**

Through: Mr. Raj Birbal, Senior Advocate with
Ms. Raavi Birbal, Advocate for R-1.

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJEEV NARULA

ORDER

% **21.07.2026**

**CM APPL. 45632/2026 and CM APPL. 4847/2025 (seeking amendment of
the writ petition)**

1. Ms. Raavi Birbal, counsel for Respondent No. 1, submits that the allegations made in the present application are disputed. She further contends that the proposed amendments are wholly independent of the principal relief sought in the writ petition and are inconsistent with the existing pleadings. She contends a writ of *mandamus* against Respondent No. 1, is impermissible in law.

2. Without prejudice to the aforementioned objections, Ms. Birbal submits that she does not oppose the proposed amendments to the pleadings, and that the Respondents should be permitted to file amended counter affidavit.



3. Having considered the aforesaid submissions, and noting that amendment of pleadings in proceedings under Article 226 of the Constitution are not strictly governed by the provisions contained in the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908, and also considering that the proposed amendments are necessary for the effective adjudication of the present proceedings, the present application is allowed.

4. The proposed amended writ petition annexed to CM APPL. 45632/2026 is taken on record.

5. The application is disposed of.

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6. The Respondents are permitted to file an amended counter affidavit, along with all relevant documents, within a period of six weeks from today. Rejoinder thereto, if any, be filed within a period of four weeks thereafter.

7. Renotify on 7th October, 2026.

8. The date fixed for 4th August, 2026, stands cancelled.

SANJEEV NARULA, J

JULY 21, 2026

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