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

+ **W.P.(C) 18999/2025 & CM APPL. 79087/2025**

RAJEEV KHANNA

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Rajiv Nayar, Senior Advocate
with Ms. Smita Maan, Mr. Vishal Maan, Mr.
Aakash Sehrawat, Mr. Kartik Dabas and Mr.
Bhaskar S., Advocates.

versus

DELHI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY & ANR.....Respondents

Through: Mr. Tushar Sannu, Advocate with
Mr. Saurabh Pandey, Advocate for R-1/DDA.
Mr. Sanjay Kumar Pathak, Standing Counsel with
Mr. Sunil Kumar Jha and Mr. M.S. Akhtar,
Advocates for R-2.

CORAM:

HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JYOTI SINGH

ORDER

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15.12.2025

CM APPL.79088/2025 (Exemption)

1. Allowed, subject to all just exceptions.
2. Application stands disposed of.

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3. This writ petition is filed by the Petitioner under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking the following reliefs:-

“a. issue an appropriate writ(s), order(s) or direction(s) in the nature of prohibition thereby restraining the respondents from carrying out any further demolition and/or taking any further coercive steps and/or forcibly taking over the actual physical possession and/or interfering with or disturbing the actual physical possession of the petitioner in respect of his private property bearing Khasra No. 1516/1 (2-16), 1516/2 (2-00), total ad-measuring 4 bighas and 16 biswas, Chattarpur, New Delhi;



b. issue an appropriate writ(s), order(s) or direction(s) in the nature of certiorari thereby quashing/setting aside the paper possession proceedings (if any) carried out by the officials of respondent authorities as part of illegal, unlawful, arbitrary and forcible partial demolition carried out by the respondents in respect of the above said privately owned and possessed property, without following any due process and procedure of law;

c. issue an appropriate writ(s), order(s) or direction(s) thereby permitting the petitioner to restore and re-construct the said portion of the boundary wall of his above-mentioned private property which has been partially demolished by the respondent authorities in above illegal, unlawful and arbitrary demolition contrary to all provisions of law.

d. Pass any further order/s that this Hon'ble Court may deem fit and proper in the facts and circumstances of the present case."

4. Issue notice.

5. Mr. Tushar Sannu, Advocate accepts notice on behalf of Respondent No.1/DDA and Mr. Sanjay Kumar Pathak, Advocate accepts notice on behalf of Respondent No.2.

6. Let counter affidavits be filed within two weeks from today.

7. Rejoinders, if any, be filed before the next date of hearing.

8. Mr. Sannu, on instructions, appearing on advance copy of the writ petition submits that as per land record, Khasra No.1516 (4-16) was acquired vide award No.15/87-88. Acquisition of Khasra Nos.1516/1 and 1516/2 admeasuring 4-16 lapsed on account of judgment dated 29.09.2015 passed by this Court in WP(C) 4804/2015. The matter travelled to the Supreme Court and was remanded back to this Court in SLP(Dy) No.15819/2023 and WP(C) 4804/2015 titled *Rajeev Khanna v. GNCTD & Ors*, was disposed of on 09.10.2025, permitting the Petitioner to withdraw the writ petition unconditionally. Consequently, Land Acquisition Collector, Land and Building Department, GNCTD handed over possession of the vacant land to DDA on 04.12.2025 and the land has been transferred to



SMD-5, DDA on 04.12.2025. It is urged that DDA has placed its sign board on the land in question on 12.12.2025, clearly indicating that the possession of the land is with DDA and in light of this, the present writ petition is rendered infructuous.

9. The statement made on behalf of DDA is taken on record.

10. List on 07.01.2026.

JYOTI SINGH, J

DECEMBER 15, 2025/RW