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

+ W.P.(C) 19036/2025 & CM APPL. 79275/2025, CM APPL.
79277/2025

KAMAL NARAYAN KAUL

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Mohit K Sharma & Mr. Prateek
Gupta, Advs.

versus

GOVERNMENT OF NCT OF DELHI & ORS.Respondents

Through: Mr. Sanjay K Pathak, Standing
Counsel with Mrs. K K Kiran, Mr. S
K Jha & Mr. M S Akhtar, Advs. for
R-1 & 2

Ms. Malvika Kapila Kalra, Ms.
Tanwangi Shukla, Ms. Harbani
Singh & MMs. Apoorva Jain, Advs.
for R-DDA

Mr. Ripudaman Bhardwaj, CGSC
with Mr. Kushagra Kumar & Mr.
Amit Kumar, Advs. for R-3/UOI

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NITIN WASUDEO SAMBRE

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANISH DAYAL

ORDER

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16.12.2025

CM APPL. 79276/2025 (for exemption)

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



W.P.(C) 19036/2025

1. The award dated 26th May 1987, passed under Land Acquisition Act, 1894, was against deceased father of petitioner.
2. It is case of petitioner that neither possession was taken over nor compensation was paid, and that being so, in view of provisions of *Section 24 of Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act, 2013*, the said acquisition stands lapsed.
3. *Prima facie*, the notice speaks of possession not being taken over by the respondent but indicates a threat to dispossess the petitioner.
4. A document regarding physical status of land in question, being *Khasra. Nos. 461(4-10) and 482(3-04)*, situated in the Revenue Estate of Village Satbari, Tehsil Mehrauli, New Delhi, has been tendered by counsel appearing for Delhi Development Authority (**DDA**), which speaks of possession proceedings. Same is taken on record.
5. We direct maintenance of *status quo* as on today, not only with respect to the structure on land in question but also its possession.
6. Issue notice to the respondents. Respondents waive notice.
7. Reply to be filed within 4 weeks, and rejoinder, if any, thereafter.
8. List on 20th March 2026.
9. Order be uploaded on the website of this Court.

NITIN WASUDEO SAMBRE, J

ANISH DAYAL, J

DECEMBER 16, 2025/sm/tk