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

CNR No. DLHC011103092025

+ W.P.(C) 4611/2026 & CM APPL. 56765/2026

M/S TREND SETTERS BOOKS LTD.Petitioner

Through: Mr. Gurbaksh Singh and Mr. Banish
Makkar, Advocate
Mob: 9810010333

versus

DINESH KUMARRespondent

Through: None.

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CNR No. DLHC011103162025

+ W.P.(C) 4618/2026 & CM APPL. 56725/2026

M/S TREND SETTERS BOOKS LTD.Petitioner

Through: Mr. Gurbaksh Singh and Mr. Banish
Makkar, Advocate
Mob: 9810010333

versus

BRIJESH SINGHRespondent

Through: None.

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CNR No. DLHC011103172025

+ W.P.(C) 4619/2026 & CM APPL. 56730/2026

M/S TREND SETTERS BOOKS LTD.Petitioner

Through: Mr. Gurbaksh Singh and Mr. Banish
Makkar, Advocate
Mob: 9810010333

versus



SURENDER SINGH

.....Respondent

Through: None.

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CNR No. DLHC011103122025

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W.P.(C) 4623/2026 & CM APPL. 56726/2026

M/S TREND SETTERS BOOKS LTD.

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Gurbaksh Singh and Mr. Banish
Makkar, Advocate
Mob: 9810010333

versus

RAHUL SHARMA

.....Respondent

Through: None.

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CNR No. DLHC011103112025

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W.P.(C) 4624/2026 & CM APPL. 56655/2026

M/S TREND SETTERS BOOKS LTD.

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Gurbaksh Singh and Mr. Banish
Makkar, Advocate
Mob: 9810010333

versus

NEERAJ KUMAR

.....Respondent

Through: None.

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CNR No. DLHC011103132025

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W.P.(C) 4625/2026 & CM APPL. 56736/2026

M/S TREND SETTERS BOOKS LTD.

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Gurbaksh Singh and Mr. Banish
Makkar, Advocate
Mob: 9810010333



versus

SATYA NARAYAN

.....Respondent

Through: None.

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CNR No. DLHC011103102025

+ W.P.(C) 4627/2026 & CM APPL. 56764/2026

M/S TREND SETTERS BOOKS LTD.

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Gurbaksh Singh and Mr. Banish
Makkar, Advocate
Mob: 9810010333

versus

RAM BALAK PRASAD.

.....Respondent

Through: None.

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CNR No. DLHC010142472026

+ W.P.(C) 4641/2026 & CM APPL. 56722/2026

TREND SETTERS BOOKS LTD.

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Gurbaksh Singh and Mr. Banish
Makkar, Advocate
Mob: 9810010333

versus

LATE SH. RAM LAL THROUGH HIS LRS

.....Respondent

Through: None.

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HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE MINI PUSHKARNA

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ORDER
21.08.2026



CM APPL. 56765/2026 in W.P.(C)-4611/2026

CM APPL. 56725/2026 in W.P.(C)-4618/2026

CM APPL. 56730/2026 in W.P.(C)-4619/2026

CM APPL. 56726/2026 in W.P.(C)-4623/2026

CM APPL. 56655/2026 in W.P.(C)-4624/2026

CM APPL. 56736/2026 in W.P.(C)-4625/2026

CM APPL. 56764/2026 in W.P.(C)-4627/2026

CM APPL. 56722/2026 in W.P.(C)-4641/2026

1. The present applications have been filed seeking stay of the following Awards passed by the Presiding Officer, Labour Court-III, Rouse Avenue Courts Complex, New Delhi, in the given matters:

Awards Dated	LIR Nos.
09 th April, 2025	1004/2020
09 th April, 2025	1007/2020
15 th April, 2025	1008/2020
15 th April, 2025	1010/2020
09 th April, 2025	3083/2019
09 th April, 2025	1005/2020
09 th April, 2025	1009/2020
15 th April, 2025	1006/2020

2. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that the petitioner-company is a private limited company, and was engaged in the business of printing and supplying school books to different schools in various parts of the country.

3. He further submits that pursuant to the directions of the Supreme



Court, the North Delhi Municipal Corporation, now Municipal Corporation of Delhi (“MCD”) served a Notice dated 15th January, 2018, upon the management of the petitioner-company, as the premises of the petitioner-company were found to be operating in a residential block located at Burari, Delhi.

4. On account of the said Notice, the management of the petitioner-company was directed to stop the commercial activities being run in the premises of the petitioner-company. Accordingly, the petitioner-company closed down all their units and wound up their printing machine, binding machine, etc.

5. After the closure of their units, and due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the petitioner-company suffered huge losses and could not discharge their liability towards the loan amounting to more than Rs. 6 Crores, which they had obtained from the Punjab National Bank for business purposes.

6. It is submitted that recovery proceedings were initiated against the petitioner-company by the Bank, and the assets of the petitioner-company were seized and auctioned. At the same time, the residential premises of the Managing Director and guarantors of the petitioner-company were also seized and auctioned by the Bank. Thus, it is submitted that presently, no amount is left with the petitioner-company to compensate the respondents-workmen.

7. Learned counsel for the petitioner-company submits that even though the petitioner-company does not have any resources to pay the respondents-workmen, execution proceedings have been initiated by the respondents-workmen, wherein, warrants of attachment of the property/warrants of arrest have been issued against the petitioner-company.



8. It is further submitted that even the family members of the management of the petitioner-company are being harassed and threatened.

9. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner-company submits that the respondents-workmen after learning that the petitioner-company is not in a position to continue with their printing business, tendered their resignations and left the service of the petitioner-company.

10. It is submitted that after tendering the resignations, a final Settlement *qua* all dues was arrived at between the respondents-workmen and the management of the petitioner-company, on 14th March, 2018, with the intervention of the concerned Trade Union, *viz.*, *General Mazdoor Lal Jhanda Union*.

11. It is submitted that on the basis of the aforesaid Settlement, the respondents-workmen were paid their full and final dues, and to this effect, a full and final settlement document and vouchers were also prepared. The said documents were duly signed by the respondents-workmen, officials of the management of the petitioner-company, and the officials of the aforesaid Trade Union.

12. It is submitted that despite taking all the outstanding dues from the petitioner-company, the respondents-workmen filed their respective claim petitions, which culminated into the impugned Awards passed by the Labour Court.

13. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner-company submits that the Labour Court has failed to appreciate that the management of the petitioner-company did not close their units on their own. On the contrary, the units of the petitioner-company were closed by the officials of MCD, on directions of the Supreme Court.



14. He further submits that the Labour Court failed to appreciate that the documents, viz., the vouchers and final receipt, relied upon by the management of the petitioner-company were executed by the respective respondents-workmen in the presence of the officials of the aforesaid Trade Union.

15. Thus, it is submitted that the Labour Court completely ignored the authenticity of the said documents, and the statements of the witnesses to the execution of the aforesaid documents.

16. It is submitted that the respondents have not been able to dent the evidence of the witnesses of the petitioner-company in any manner whatsoever.

17. However, the Labour Court did not appreciate the evidence given by the witnesses of the petitioner-company, and has not given any reason for disregarding the petitioner-company's evidence.

18. Thus, learned counsel for the petitioner-company submits that the lump sum compensation awarded to the respondents-workmen is erroneous.

19. He further submits that on account of execution proceedings having been initiated by the respondents-workmen, the petitioner-company is facing many difficulties as warrants of attachment have been issued against them.

20. Accordingly, issue notice to the respondents, by all permissible modes.

21. Let reply be filed, within a period of four weeks. Rejoinder thereto, if any, be filed within a period of two weeks, thereafter.

22. Considering the submissions made before this Court, it is directed that the operation and execution of the impugned Awards as aforesaid, passed by the Presiding Officer, Labour Court-III, Rouse Avenue Courts Complex,



New Delhi, shall remain stayed, till the next date of hearing.

23. List on the date already fixed, i.e., 02nd December, 2026.

MINI PUSHKARNA, J

AUGUST 21, 2026

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