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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**
+ **W.P.(C) 7594/2018 & CM APPLs. 30022/2018, 41886/2024, 42188/2024, 42189/2024, 47142/2024, 48597/2024, 57187/2024, 62545/2024, 69901/2024 & 66131/2025**

COURT ON ITS OWN MOTIONPetitioner
versus

UNION OF INDIA & ORSRespondent

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+ **W.P.(C) 9617/2022**

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GOVT. OF NCT OF DELHI AND ORSRespondent

Appearances:

For Petitioners:

Mr. Vivek Kumar Tandon, Mr. Arvind Sah, Ms. Vrinda Bhandari, Mr. Parveen Gupta, Local Commissioners

For Respondents:

Mr. S. D. Sanjay, Additional Solicitor General with Mr. Gaurav Goyal, Mr. Vaibhav Sharma, Ms. Nikita Sethi, Mr. Akshat Agrawal & Mr. H. H Zaidi, Advs. for DSIIDC

Mr. Tushar Sannu, SC, MCD along with Mr. Fajallu Rehman, Adv. (9911991166)

Mr. Ashwani Kumar, Commissioner, MCD

Mr. T. Dinesh, Chief Town Planner, MCD

Mr. Anand Sharma, Senior Town Planner, MCD

Mr. Kartik Yadav, Assistant Law Officer, MCD

Ms. Nazuk Kumar, Managing Director, DSIIDC

Mr. S. N. Sharan, Chief Engineer, DSIIDC

Mr. Kuldeep Singh, Executive Engineer, DSIIDC

Mr. Furkan Ahmed & Mr. Vikas, Asst. Engineers



Mr. Dhruv Rohatgi, Ms Chandrika Sachdev, Advs. for GNCTD (9643400939)
Mr. Bipul Pathak, Additional Chief Secretary
Mr. Sandeep Mishra, Special Secretary, IDMC CELL.
Mr. Ripudaman Bhardwaj, CGSC with Mr. Kushagra Kumar & Mr. Amit Kumar Rana, Advs. for UoI (8178303621)
Mr. Biraja Mahapatra, Mr. Nalin Hingorani & Mr. Abhay Singh, Advs. for DPCC with Mr. Sandeep Mishra, Mr. Deepak Kumar Singh and Mr. Dinesh Jindal, officials of DPCC
Mr. Siddhartha Iyer, Mr. Deevanshu Sharma, Ms. Simran Chawla Sharma & Mr. Chhatresh Kumar Sahu, Advs. for Confederation of Delhi Industries and CETP Societies
Mr. S K Tandon, General Secretary, Confederation of Delhi Industries and CETP Societies
Ms. Kirti Mewar, Mr. Arjun Gaur & Ms. Harshita Verma, Advs. for intervenor - Mr. Pankaj Kumar. (9899563077)
Ms. Prabhsahay Kaur, SC, DDA with Ms. Deeksha L. Kakar, Mr. Aditya Verma, Mr. Rashneet Singh, Ms. Anmol M. Kaur, Advs.
Mr. Manoj Kumar, ASO, IL, DDA.
Mr. Bharat Kumar, AD, Horticulture, DDA.
Mr. Sandeep Mishra, Special Secretary
Mr. J.K.Talwar, General Secretary, Delhi Manufacturer Association
Ms. Beenashaw N Soni, SC with Ms. Mansi Jain, Adv. (9810046611)
Ms. Sangeeta Bharti, SSC, DJB with Ms. Malvi Balyan, Adv. w
Ms. Pratima N Lakra, CGSC with Mr. Chanakya Kene, Mr. Shivansh Bansal & Ms. Kanchan, Advs.
Ms. Puja S Kalra, Standing Counsel with Mr. Virendra Singh. Adv.
Ms. Monika Arora, CGSC with Mr. Subhrodeep Saha, Ms. Anamika Thakur, Mr. Prabhat Kumar & Mr. Abhinav Verma, Advs. (8979496930)
Mr. Dharampal, SI, Delhi Traffic Police (Parvi Officer)
Ms. Avnish Ahlawat, SC, DTL with Ms. Aliza Alam, Adv.
Mr. Colin Gonsalves, Sr. Adv. with Mr. Zain Haider & Mr. Tanvir, Advs.
Mt. Tarveen Singh Nanda, Adv. for DCB
Mr. Vikrant N Goyal, Mr. Kunal Dixit, Mr. Piyush Wadhwa, Mr. Harsh Kumar Singh & Ms. Riya Singh, Advs.
Mr. Rakesh Mukhija & Mr. Ashok Kumar, Advs.



CORAM:
JUSTICE PRATHIBA M. SINGH
JUSTICE MANMEET PRITAM SINGH ARORA

ORDER

% **22.11.2025**

1. This hearing has been done through hybrid mode.
2. These petitions pertain to the issue of Sewage Treatment Plants (hereinafter, 'STPs'), Common Effluent Treatment Plants (hereinafter, 'CETPs') and cleaning of the River Yamuna in Delhi. On 11th September, 2025, this Court had perused the Local Commissioners' reports relating to the status of all the 37 STPs and had directed the Delhi Jal Board (hereinafter, 'DJB') to place on record a comprehensive action plan in respect of all the 37 STPs in Delhi. The relevant portion of the said order reads as under:

"7. Without going into a blame game at this stage, it is clear that in order for any effective steps to be taken to curb pollution of the Yamuna River, a comprehensive attempt has to be made on all the following three aspects:

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(3) Insofar as STPs are concerned, the meeting under the Chairmanship of Chief Engineer, Delhi Jal Board is already underway. Ms. Bharti, Id. Counsel for the Delhi Jal Board submits that three meetings have already taken place and further meetings are being held and a comprehensive action plan shall be placed by the Delhi Jal Board in respect of all the STPs by the next date of hearing."

3. Further, vide order dated 19th September, 2025, this Court directed as under:



“4. After having heard the Local Commissioners as also Mr. Mahapatra, Id. Counsel for DPCC and Mr. Deepak Kumar Singh, Additional Director, DPCC in respect of the abovementioned industrial areas, it appears that the submitted data is unclear on various aspects. Accordingly, further data requires to be collected if a comprehensive and effect resolution plan is to be finalised to prevent water-logging in Delhi and to ensure clean/treated water is flowing into the river. As a first step, the DPCC is directed as under:

A) The DPCC shall conduct an inspection of all the industrial units in G.T. Kamal Road Industrial area. In this area, the DPCC shall depute 50 technical staff along with 50 staff provided by the Delhi Government to undertake the following tasks:

- i) To check up the name of the industry and the nature of activity being conducted therein;
- ii) Whether there is a proper sewage line in the factory;
- iii) Whether there is a proper connection between the sewage line in the factory with the sewage system of the local body;
- iv) Whether the said sewage system is connected to the Sewage Treatment Plant (hereinafter, 'STPs') or the CETPs;
- v) Whether a workable Effluent Treatment Plant (hereinafter, 'ETP') is there or not in the factory and if so whether it is working?

5. In order to enable the proper inspection of these industries in G.T. Kamal Road Industrial area, on the days of inspection, any one of the Local Commissioners of this Court from amongst Mr. Vivek Kumar Tandon, Ms. Vrinda Bhandari, Mr.



Praveen Gupta, and Mr. Arvind Sah, shall supervise the inspection based upon their convenience and availability. The report, after inspecting all the industries in G.T. Kamal Road Industrial area shall be placed before the Court by the next date of hearing.”

4. This Court further *vide* the said order directed, Delhi Pollution Control Committee (hereinafter, ‘DPCC’) and Delhi State Industrial and Infrastructure Development Corporation (hereinafter, ‘DSIIDC’) to convene a meeting and file report in respect of the industrial plots and industries in the Bawana and Narela industrial areas. Relevant portion of the order dated 19th September, 2025 reads as under:

“18. A perusal of the above would show that there is a sharp contrast between the number of industrial plots and the number of industries/units given by the DPCC and the DSIIDC. For example, in the Bawana Industrial area, as per DPCC there are a total of 8875 industries/units but as per the DSIIDC, the total industrial plots are 16312. It is, thus, inexplicable as to how there can be such a contrast in the number of industries/units itself.

19. Accordingly, let DPCC and DSIIDC have a meeting and come up with an exact number of industrial plots and industries in the Bawana Industrial area and Narela Industrial area and file a joint status report in respect of the same by the next date of hearing”

5. On 29th October, 2025, this Court passed the following directions:

“11. Under these circumstances, the Court has no option but to direct the following officials to remain present in Court on the next date of hearing:



- (i) Mr. Rajeev Verma, Chief Secretary of Delhi
- (ii) Mr. Bipul Pathak, Additional Chief Secretary, Ministry of Industries, Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi
- (iii) Ms. Nazuk Kumar, Managing Director, DSIIDC
- (iv) Mr. Ashwani Kumar, Commissioner, MCD
- (v) Mr. Sandeep Mishra, Secretary, DPCC

12. The presence of the above officials is primarily for them to assist the Court as to how to deal with this situation where neither of the agencies is willing to take responsibility for the construction/development of sewage lines, storm water drains, connections to STPs and CETPs and monitoring thereof.

13. The above officials may hold a meeting prior to the next date of hearing i.e., by 10th November, 2025 and submit a report by 15th November, 2025 before the Court regarding the action plan. The present matter shall be next listed on 22nd November, 2025 which is a Saturday.

14. In the deliberation between the aforementioned officials, the Cabinet's decision dated 22nd August, 2023 shall be taken note of where proper steps were directed for re-development of these areas and there has been no progress since then except appointment of three consultants. The status of the work which was handed over to these consultants is also not clear. The three consultant agencies are M/s Creative Circle, M/s SABS Architects & Engineers Pvt. Ltd. and M/s Square Designs. Representatives of these consultants shall also remain physically present in Court on the next date of hearing.”



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6. Today, the Court has heard Mr. S. D. Sanjay, Additional Solicitor General along with Mr. Gaurav Goyal, Id. Counsel appearing on behalf of DSIIDC, Mr. Dhruv Rohatgi, Id. Counsel for Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi (hereinafter, 'GNCTD'), Mr. Tushar Sanu, Id. Standing Counsel, Municipal Corporation of Delhi (hereinafter, 'MCD') and Ms. Prabhsahay Kaur, Id. Standing Counsel, Delhi Development Authority (hereinafter, 'DDA').

7. The officials who are present for the hearing today are as under:

- Mr. Ashwani Kumar, Commissioner, MCD
- Mr. T. Dinesh, Chief Town Planner, MCD
- Mr. Anand Sharma, Senior Town Planner, MCD
- Mr. Kartik Yadav, Assistant Law Officer, MCD
- Ms. Nazuk Kumar, Managing Director, DSIIDC - online
- Mr. S. N. Sharan, Chief Engineer, DSIIDC
- Mr. Kuldeep Singh, Executive Engineer, DSIIDC
- Mr. Bipul Pathak, Additional Chief Secretary
- Mr. Sandeep Mishra, Special Secretary, Integrated Drain Management Cell (hereinafter, 'IDMC').
- Mr. Deepak Kumar Singh, A.D., DPCC
- Mr. Dinesh Jindal, L.O., DPCC
- Mr. S K Tandon, General Secretary, Confederation of Delhi Industries and CETP Societies
- Mr. Manoj Kumar, ASO, IL, DDA.
- Mr. Bharat Kumar, AD, Horticulture, DDA.
- Mr. J.K.Talwar, General Secretary, Delhi Manufacturer Federation
- Mr. Furkan Ahmed, Assistant Engineers, DSIIDC



- Mr. Vikas, Assistant Engineers, DSIIDC

8. The Court has in addition heard Ms. Manju Shah from M/s Creative Circle, Mr. Namit Jain for M/s Square Designs, Mr. Bhaskar Neogi for M/s SABS Architects & Engineers Pvt. Ltd and Mr. J. K. Talwar, General Secretary, Delhi Manufacturers Federation (hereinafter, 'DMF') along with Mr. Vijay Virmani, President, DMF.

Status Report filed by DPCC

9. The status report of the DSIIDC dated 17th November, 2025 has been placed on record along with the Minutes of Meetings dated 4th November, 2025.

10. At the outset, the Court is informed that out of 27 non-conforming industrial areas, 24 industrial areas have associations which are members of the DMF. The three associations which are not members are as under:

- (i) Shahdara Industrial Area Association;
- (ii) Mundka Phirni Industrial Area Association; and
- (iii) Mundka Swaran Park, Industrial Area Association.

These associations are, therefore, not represented before the Court.

11. Ms. Nazuk Kumar, Managing Director, DSIIDC has also joined the proceedings virtually and submits that as per the Minutes of Meeting dated 4th November, 2025, the DSIIDC would be the agency for re-development of 27 non-conforming industrial areas. Various other decisions have also been taken in the said meeting. The said decisions are as under:

“After detailed discussion following course of action was agreed:

- 1. DSIIDC shall be the agency for redevelopment of 27 clusters.*
- 2. The layout plan prepared by the consultants shall be*



submitted to MCD for approval.

3. Consent of the concerned societies shall be taken by the DSIIDC for redevelopment scheme as per the approved layout plan.

4. DSIIDC shall levy appropriate redevelopment charges and shall carry out the redevelopment work either itself or as deposit work.

5. DPCC shall continue to following the existing policy of not allowing establishment of Red and Orange category units after 07.02.2007 and allowing the establishment of units only under the Green category.

DSIIDC shall work on the above framework with timelines, firm up the modalities and shall take requisite approvals of competent authority for carrying out the redevelopment work in these 27 clusters duly observing all requisite procedures and legal provisions.”

12. The question as to whether the DSIIDC would be in-charge of the entire re-development and the manner in which it has to be done, would be looked into by this Court. However, for the time being, the situation that exists is that out of 27 non-conforming industrial areas, M/s Creative Circle has been given charge of preparing the layout plans for 8 areas. M/s SABS Architects & Engineers Pvt. Ltd has been given 11 areas and M/s Square Designs has been given 8 areas. The submissions of layout plans for the following areas is still pending:

- (i) Basai Darapur, is pending with M/s SABS Architects & Engineers Pvt. Ltd,
- (ii) Anand Parbat is pending with M/s Square Designs, and
- (iii) Mundka Swaran Park is also pending with M/s SABS Architects & Engineers Pvt. Ltd.



For Basai Darapur, M/s SABS Architects & Engineers Pvt. Ltd. is willing to submit the layout plan to DSIIDC by 15th December, 2025. In respect of Mundka Swaran Park, further time is being sought by the agency.

13. Accordingly, let Court Notice be issued by the Registry to the President and the General Secretary of the following associations for appearance on the next date of hearing:

- i. Shahdara Industrial Area Association;
- ii. Mundka Phirni Industrial Area Association; and
- iii. Mundka Swaran Park, Industrial Area Association.

The President and the General Secretary of abovementioned associations shall be served through the SHO concerned.

14. For this aspect list on **5th December, 2025** at **2:30 P.M.**

15. Insofar as Anand Parbat is concerned, the agency *i.e.*, M/s Square Designs submits that proper drawings of the Anand Parbat area are not available with them. Accordingly, let the DDA furnish the notified layout plan of Anand Parbat to the said agency by 26th November, 2025. For the said purpose, Mr. Namit Jain for M/s Square Designs shall visit the office of DDA Town Planning Department. Mr. Manish Verma, Additional Commissioner (Area Planning) DDA, will be responsible for handing over this plan.

16. For this aspect as well, list the matter on **5th December, 2025** at **2:30 P.M.**

17. Insofar as all the layout plans which have been submitted by the agencies are concerned, which are presently under examination by the DSIIDC, let all the layout plans be now examined jointly by DSIIDC, MCD and DDA. For the said purpose, the following would be the 3-member team, which would examine the layout plans and finalise the same. A status report



be filed by the next date of hearing:

- (i) Mr. Kuldeep Singh, Executive Engineer, DSIIDC
- (ii) Mr. T. Dinesh, Chief Town Planner, MCD
- (iii) Mr. Manish Verma, Additional Commissioner (Area Planning) DDA.

18. The submission/exchange of the said layout plans shall take place in the Lajpat Nagar office of the DSIIDC on **26th November, 2025 at 11:30 AM** in the office of Mr. Kuldeep Singh. The plans shall then be examined both by the MCD and the DDA jointly with the DSIIDC. In addition, two members of the DMF shall also remain present in these meetings so that finalisation of all the layout plans can be expedited. If any corrections, alteration or additions are required, the agencies shall cooperate in making the same. Further meetings shall be scheduled as per the joint convenience of the members.

19. The DSIIDC shall release the payment of 90% of Rs.2.5 crores within a period of two weeks to the MCD.

20. Mr. Rohatgi, Id. Counsel for the GNCTD on instructions from Mr. Mishra, the Nodal Officer submits that whatever approvals are required from the GNCTD for release of the said payment, the same shall also be granted. The payment of the agencies, wherever the work has already completed, shall also be released in parts as per the tripartite agreements, so that their work is not hampered in any manner.

21. In terms of the Cabinet decision of 2023, if any payments are to be released by the GNCTD to the DSIIDC, the same shall also be released expeditiously so that the work in this regard is not hampered in any manner.

22. On the next date of hearing *i.e.*, 19th December, 2025, an updated status report in respect of the layout plans and their approvals shall be filed jointly



by three officials who are named above. If there is any non-cooperation by any agency, organisation or body, Id. Counsel for MCD is permitted to mention this matter.

Status Report filed by DPCC

23. Insofar as the confirming industrial areas are concerned, there are a total 17 industrial areas. There are a total of 13 CETPs for the said industries. Mr. Siddharth Iyer, Id. Counsel represents the Confederation of Delhi Industries and CETP Societies. Ms. S.K. Tandon, Secretary of the Association is also present in Court today.

24. Today, the DPCC has filed a report dated 14th November, 2025 which shows various shortcomings in the operation of various CETPs.

25. Let copy of this report dated 14th November, 2025 be served upon Mr. Iyer, Id. Counsel who shall file a response to the same by the next date i.e., by 19th December, 2025.

26. On the said date, Mr. Mahapatra, Id. Counsel representing DPCC shall also ensure that the associations of the factory owners/industries in the following 17 industrial areas are also served so that they are duly represented before the Court. The list of the associations are as under along with the names of their officer bearers and contact details:

S.No.	Industrial Area Association and Address	Name of office bearer	Mobile No.
1	Patparganj Industrial Estate Entrepreneurs Assn. (Regd.)370, F.I.E., Patparganj,	Sh. Manmohan Mehra	98106 32689



	Delhi – 92.		
2	Jhilmil Industries Association (Regd.), B-37/B, Jhilmil Indl. Area, Delhi.	Sh. Narender	93122 09457
3	Jhilmil and Friends Colony Industrial Area CETP Plant, B-Block, Jhilmil Industrial Area, 110095	Sh. Rakesh Bansal	9810033673
4	Friends Colony Industrial Area Plot No. 26, Lane No.3, Friends Colony Industrial Area, G.T. Road, Shahdara, Delhi-110095	Sh. Vineet Jain	8750702111
5	Okhla Industrial Estate Association 17, Okhla Industrial Estate Phase 3 Rd, Okhla Phase III, Okhla Industrial Estate, New Delhi, Delhi 110020	Shri Rajan Sharma	9810068739
6	Okhla Industries Association No. 14, 3, Central Market, Block E, Sector 5, Madangir, New Delhi, Delhi 110062	Shri Sunil Malhotra	9810039157
7	Electronic Industries Association Of India (Elcina) Elcina House, 422, Okhla Industrial Estate, Phase-III,	Shri Sanjay Agarwal	-41615905



	New Delhi, Delhi 110020		
8	Okhla Factory Owner's Association B-120, Second Floor, DDA Shed, Okhla I, New Delhi, Delhi 110020	Shri Umesh Anand	9999034998
9	Mohan Co-operative Industrial Estate Association, H-6, B1 Mohan Cooperative Industrial Estate, Badarpur, New Delhi.	Shri Pradeep Singh	9810125737
10	Mangolpuri Industrial Area Phase-I Industries Association CETP Plant, Mangolpuri Industrial Area Phase-I, Delhi-110083	Mr Rajinder Jindal	9810079904
11	Association of Mangolpuri Industrial Area, Ph-II A-91, Mangolpuri Industrial Area Phase-II, Delhi-110034	Mr Prem Malik	9312522981
12	Lawrence road C-42A, Lawrance Road Industrial Area, Delhi-110035	Ashok Gupta	9810030614
13	Wazirpur Bartan Nirmata Sangh 202, Adarsh Complex,	Mr Sushil Jain	9312960684



	Community Centre, Wazirpur Industrial Area, Delhi-110052		
14	Wazirpur Small Scale Industries Association Plot No 3, Adarsh Complex, Community Centre, Wazirpur Industrial Area, Delhi-110052	Mr Jai Bhagwan Jain	9811441970
15	Naraina Industries Association Phase-I & II NIA House, A-5, Community Centre, Naraina Industrial Area, phase-II, New Delhi, Delhi 110028	Sh. Rakesh Sachdeva (President) Sh. Anil K. Malik (Honey. General Secretary)	9810072641 9811084399
16	Mayapuri Industrial Welfare Association Central Park Block-B, Mayapuri Industrial Area, Ph-I, New Delhi-110064	Sh. Davinder Singh (General Secretary)	011-28116970
17	Rajasthani Udyog Nagar Welfare Association 69, Rajasthani Udyog Nagar Industrial Area, Delhi-110033	Sh. Vijay Grover	9811166065
18	Manufactures Association G.T. Karnal Road B Block, CETP Society, G.T. Karnal Road Industrial Area, Delhi-110033	Mr S.P. Gupta	9810169869



19	The Manufacturers Welfare Association "B-Block" G.T. Karnal Road B-36/8, G.T. Karnal Road, Industrial Area, Delhi-110033	Mr K.G. Monga	9810158604
20	SMA Welfare Association 118, SMA Industrial Area, Delhi-110033	Mr. Ashok Grover	9811026665
21	SSI Welfare Association 34, SSI Industrial Area, Delhi-110033	Mr Jagdish Aneja	9811042628
22	Badli Industrial Estate Association (Regd.) Administrative Blocks, Badli Industrial Estate, New Delhi – 42.	Ravi Sood	9868110187
23	SPM Industrial Park Welfare Association (Regd.) G-1, Sector-5, DSIDC Bawana, Delhi-39	Bhupender Singh	9013541500
24	Bawana Manufacturers Welfare Association (Regd.) P-74 Sector-3, DSIDC Bawana, Delhi-39.	Rajiv Goel	9818167276
25	Association of Bawana Industries (Regd.)	Jitender Aggarwal	9999799800



	D-10, Sector-4, DSIDC Bawana, Delhi-39		
26	Bawana Factories Welfare Association (Regd.) E-10, Sector-1, DSIDC Bawana, Delhi-39	Rajan Lamba	7042231819
27	Association of Small Industries Bawana (Regd.) E-57, Sector-2, DSIDC Bawana, Delhi-39	Shiv Kumar Arora	9811136370
28	Bawana Print & Pack Association (Regd.) L-133, Sector-3, DSIDC Bawana, Delhi-39	Lalit Bansal	9810022186
29	Narela Industrial Complex Welfare Association (Regd.) F-1999, Narela Industrial Area, Delhi-110040	Ashish Garg	9711111212
30	Keshavpur Indl. Area Association A-15, Keshavpur Industrial Area, Delhi-110018	Sh. Natha Singh	9810458507
31	Udyog Nagar Factory Owners Association H-18, Udyog Nagar Industrial	Sh. Ashok Gupta	9312253523



	Area, Delhi, 110041		
32	Kirti Nagar Industrialist Association, W/12, Kirti Nagar Indl. Area, New Delhi, 110015	Sh. Ashok Sikka	9810836081
33	Moti Nagar DLF Industrial Association, Moti Nagar New Delhi, 110015	Sh. Mahender Singh Bhullar	9210075960
34	DSIDC and Udyog Nagar CETP Society (Regd.) CETP Plant, Behind Nangloi DTC Depot, Rohtak Road, Delhi-41.	Sh. Dilip mishra	9810211509
35	Jhandewalan Flatted Factory Association (Regd.) A1, FFC Jhandewalan, Rani Jhansi Road, New Delhi-110055	Sh. Rajesh Grover (President)	9811084089
36	Shahzada Bagh Industrial Welfare Association, 308/7, Delite House, Shahzada Bagh, Old Rohtak Road, Delhi-110035	Ashok Sobti	9650271833

27. The Registry shall also serve the abovementioned Associations and the



office bearers on their respective mobile numbers.

28. For this purpose, list on **19th December, 2025 at 2:30 pm..**

Status Report filed by DJB

29. The DJB has filed a status report dated 20th November, 2025 regarding all the STPs answering the queries which have been put by the Court on the last date of hearing.

30. Let the DJB now file a report of the following aspects:

- i) What steps need to be taken for augmenting of the 11 STPs out of the 37 STPs which are not fully augmented;
- ii) Insofar as the remaining STPs are concerned *i.e.*, 25 STPs, what steps need to be taken to ensure that the water quality is maintained and that the deficiencies pointed out by the Local Commissioners in their respective reports are removed;
- iii) Is there a further requirement of installation of more STPs. Moreover, if there are any other STPs which are planned and are under consideration, what are the impediments in respect of the same.

31. For this aspect list on **3rd December, 2025 at 2:30 P.M.**

32. Mr. Colin Gonsalves, Id. Senior Counsel is also present and he submits that insofar as Barapullah basin is concerned, the National Green Tribunal (hereinafter, 'NGT') is looking into the matter. Accordingly, if there are any relevant orders of the NGT, the same may be placed on record by the next date of hearing.

33. Ms. Vrinda Bhandari, Id. Local Commissioner urges the Court to look into the aspect of how the pollution in the river Yamuna and the water pollution in general is one of the contributing factors for the emergent situation of air pollution in the city, in respect of which also steps need to be



taken. Let Ld. Local Commissioner make her submissions on this aspect on the next date of hearing *i.e.*, **3rd December 2025 at 2:30 pm.**

PRATHIBA M. SINGH, J

MANMEET PRITAM SINGH ARORA, J

NOVEMBER 22, 2025

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