

**HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE FOR RAJASTHAN AT
JODHPUR**

D.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 4520/2022

Shyam Sundar Verma

-----Petitioner

Versus

State Of Rajasthan

-----Respondent

Connected With

D.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 5264/2021

For Petitioner(s)	:	Dr. Nupur Bhati
For Respondent(s)	:	Mr. Sandeep Shah, Sr. Advocate-cum-AAG
		Mr. Sunil Beniwal, AAG
		Mr. Hemant Ballani
		Mr. S.S. Rathore
		Mr. Manvendra Singh

**HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANDEEP MEHTA
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDEEP MATHUR**

Order

08/07/2022

Shri Beniwal puts in appearance on behalf of respondents Nos.1, 2, 6, 7 & 8. The other respondents have been served. Thus, service is complete.

The writ petition (No.5264/2021) which has been tagged with this file by order dated 30.03.2022 involves a different controversy and thus, the same shall be detached and listed separately on 26.07.2022.

Through this writ petition (No. 4520/2022) in the nature of Public Interest Litigation, the petitioner seeks to espouse the cause of dismal state of lakes in the historic city of Udaipur. After going through the record, we are persuaded to take cognizance of the news article published in the Rajasthan Patrika Udaipur Edition

dated 20.06.2022 wherein, numerous instances have been given out regarding obstructions and encroachments on the catchment areas and water flow channels which replenish the iconic lakes of Udaipur viz. Fateh Sagar, Pichola and Udai Sagar. The said newspaper shall be tagged with this file as evidence of facts alleged by the petitioner. Copy of the newspaper report in form of e-paper has been provided to AAG Shri Beniwal. He shall file response to the said newspaper report as well while submitting reply to the writ petition.

Cognizance of a similar newspaper report was taken by Division Bench of this Court on the basis whereof DBCWP No.7077/2014 was registered under the title "Suo Moto vs State of Rajasthan & Ors." and the same is still pending consideration of this Court. Thus, we hereby direct that the present writ petition shall be tagged with the Suo Moto writ petition No.7077/2014 and both the files shall be listed together on 20.07.2022.

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