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M.C.MEHTA

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

UNION OF INDIA & ORS.

Respondent(s)

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UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

REPORT NO. 190 OF THE MONITORING COMMITTEE

1. We have perused the Report No. 190 of the Monitoring Committee. The report is regarding non-recovery of penalties, regularization, conversion and other charges by the local planning authorities.

2. As regards the Delhi Development Authority, the proceedings are pending before the Estate Officer. Therefore, to that extent, we are not passing any order today.

3. As far as Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) is concerned, we have perused the affidavit dated 27th December, 2024 in terms of this Court's order dated 4th November, 2024. The fact that the owners of 98 properties which are sealed are not coming forward for de-sealing is no ground not to recover the outstanding amounts from them. Recourse can be always taken for recovering the amounts as if the same were arrears of land revenue.

4. We direct the MCD to take steps accordingly for recovery of the overdue amounts in accordance with law. Compliance report/affidavit shall be filed within a period of six weeks from today.

5. Pursuant to this Court's order dated 4th November, 2024, the New Delhi Municipal Council (NDMC) has not filed any compliance affidavit. As in case of the MCD, we direct the NDMC to initiate the recovery proceedings by treating the dues as arrears of land revenue. Compliance report/affidavit shall be filed within a period of six weeks from today. We direct the NDMC to ensure that the earlier affidavits and the affidavits filed hereafter are served upon the office of the learned Amicus Curiae.

6. In the Report No.190, the Monitoring Committee has mentioned that the recovery of a sum of Rs.35,55,96,878/- (Rupees thirty five crores fifty five lakhs ninety six thousand eight hundred seventy eight) is still not made. However, in the status report filed by the Land and Development Office on 2nd January, 2025 it is stated the amount to be recovered is Rs.8,33,38,314/- (Rupees eight crores thirty three lakhs thirty eight thousand three hundred fourteen). We, therefore, direct the appropriate officer of the Land and Development Office to submit documents and detailed calculations to the Monitoring Committee so that the Monitoring Committee can re-determine the exact amount which is required to be recovered. This exercise shall be completed within a period of six weeks from today.

7. Report No.190 will remain pending till the necessary compliance is made.

REPORT NOS. 194 AND 195 OF THE MONITORING COMMITTEE

8. Issue notice of these reports to the concerned authorities returnable after four weeks.

REPORT NOS. 192, 196 and 197 OF THE MONITORING COMMITTEE

9. List on 29th April, 2025 at 3.00 p.m.

IA D. NO. 153213/2019 (APPLN. FOR DIRECTIONS ON BEHALF OF UNION OF INDIA)

10. List on 29th April, 2025 at 3.00 p.m.

Report No.13/2025 in IA No.1583/2025

11. To be considered on 16th April, 2025 at 12.00 noon.

(ANITA MALHOTRA)
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