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

+ **W.P.(C) 52/2023**

DEEPAK GOEL

.....Petitioner

Through: **Mr. Ashwani, Advocate.**

Versus

STATE OF NCT OF DELHI & ORS.

.....Respondents

Through: **Ms. Urvi Mohan, Advocate with
Mr. Anil Kumar Sharma, AE, NW
Road Division, PWD.**

**CORAM:
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJEEV NARULA**

**ORDER
16.10.2024**

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1. In terms of order dated 20th August 2024 passed by this Court in the present writ petition, the Respondents have consulted with IIT Roorkee on the aspect of installing specialised noise barriers. In this regard, through email communication dated 3rd October, 2024, IIT Roorkee has opined as follows:



Regarding study of Noise Pollution and vibration discomfort with preventive measures at Mukarba Chowk Elevated Flyover, Near Prashant Vihar, Delhi

Sudipta Sarkar <sudipta.sarkar@ce.iitr.ac.in>
To: Executive Engineer <eepwddelhinwr1@gmail.com>

Thu, Oct 3, 2024 at 3:33 PM

Dear Sir,

This is in response to your trailing email requesting us to send our suggestion on the quotation of the Noise barrier attached with the email. We have studied the noise barrier. Here is our reply:

The residence of concern is about 500m away from the flyover on which the noise barrier is proposed. The proposed barrier may be effective in reducing the vehicular noise from the flyover at the said residence. In addition, we have the following observations.

1. The barrier may be provided at specific stretches where there are residential/educational/healthcare developments closely abutting the flyover. A slight extension in length will be essential to avoid spill over of the sound/noise.
2. For stretches where there are residences or institutions closer than 500 m or as close as 30m, the proposed barrier may only be partially effective.

Should you require more information, please let us know about the same.

Thanks and Regards,

Dr Sudipta Sarkar
Professor
Department of Civil Engineering
Indian Institute of Technology Roorkee
Roorkee, Haridwar, Uttarakhand 247667

2. On the basis of the above opinion, the Executive Engineer (Civil), PWD, GNCTD has filed a status report dated 11th October, 2024 indicating that a proposal for the installation of noise barriers is being moved to the higher authorities for further consideration and the revised approximate cost for the said installation being fixed at Rs. 1.46 crores.
3. Mr. Anil Kumar Sharma, Assistant Executive, PWD, who is present in the Court today states that this proposal of the PWD is subject to the final decision taken by the higher authorities. He submits that usually a decision on such a proposal is taken within a period of two to three months.
4. Considering the above circumstances, since there is a seems to be a positive resolution to the pressing needs of the residents highlighted in the



present writ petition, the same is disposed of with a direction to the Respondents to take a decision on the proposal of PWD, taking into account the amounts indicated in the 'Schedule of Quantity' attached as Annexure 4 of the Status Report dated 11th October, 2024, within a period of four months from today. It is understood that in case the said proposal is accepted, the work for installation shall be commenced expeditiously.

5. It is further clarified that in case there is no resolution within the timelines specified above, the Petitioner shall be at liberty to approach the Court for suitable directions.

6. With the above directions, the present writ petition is disposed of.

SANJEEV NARULA, J

OCTOBER 16, 2024

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