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

+ **W.P.(C) 11020/2022**

HANUMANT CHAND

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Fidel Sebastian, Advocate.

versus

M/S LIVING MEDIA INDIA LTD.(INDIA TODAY GROUP)
& ANR.

.....Respondents

Through:

CORAM:

HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE TARA VITASTA GANJU

ORDER

11.08.2025

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1. The record reflects that the matter has been listed on 9 occasions i.e., before the Court on 7 occasions and twice before the Registrar. Out of these, on 6 occasions the Petitioner is either not been present or has sought an adjournment. The details are set out below:

S.No.	Date of Order	Adjournments / Non-appearances
1.	25.07.2022	Adjournment request by learned counsel for the Petitioner.
2.	06.10.2022	Adjournment request by learned counsel for the Petitioner.
3.	03.04.2024	No appearance.
4.	04.10.2024	No appearance.
5.	17.07.2025 (JR)	No appearance.
6.	22.07.2025 (JR)	Notice to respondents in terms of order dated 03.04.2025 could not be issued for want of process fee nor there is any appearance on behalf of the petitioner.



2. Notice was directed to be issued to the Respondents on 17.03.2023. However, as per the record, Notice could not be served on the Respondents.
3. This Court had on 03.04.2025 directed fresh Notice to be issued to the Respondents and directed that an Affidavit of service be filed and the matter be listed before the concerned Registrar for completion of service on 22.07.2025.
- 3.1 The order dated 22.07.2025 of the learned Registrar reflects that the Notice to the Respondents could not be served for want of process fee. There was no appearance on behalf of the Petitioner on that date either.
4. Learned Counsel for the Petitioner today submits that he has already filed the process fee in October 2023.
5. However, as stated above, the record reflects that the process fee has been lying in objection since October, 2023, as a result, for the last three years, Notice could not be served on the Respondents.
6. Quite clearly, the Petitioner is not interested in prosecuting its case.
7. The Petition is accordingly dismissed for non-prosecution.
8. The parties shall act based on the digitally signed copy of the order.

TARA VITASTA GANJU, J

AUGUST 11, 2025/ ha