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

+ **W.P.(C) 6464/2025 & CM APPL. 29428/2025**

VIKRAM MISHRA

.....Petitioner

Through: Ms. Priti Agarwal and Ms. Raminder
Kaur, Advs. (Through VC)
Mob: 9868161163

versus

**TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT THROUGH ITS COMMISSIONER
& ANR.**

.....Respondents

Through: Ms. Astha Gupta and Mr. Moksh
Arora, Advs. for R-1 (Through VC)
Ms. Madhu Sudan Bhayana and Mr.
Suresh Chaudhari, Adv. for R-3
(Through VC)

**CORAM:
HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE MINI PUSHKARNA**

**ORDER
10.09.2025**

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1. The present writ petition has been filed on account of the vehicle of the petitioner, i.e., Maruti Alto, bearing registration no. HR26-T-7659, being seized from the petitioner's residence on 12th November, 2024, by respondent no. 2, i.e., Municipal Corporation of Delhi ("MCD").

2. This Court notes that the Supreme Court *vide* order dated 12th August, 2025, passed in *W.P.(C) 13029/1985*, titled as "*M.C. Mehta Versus Union of India & Ors.*", has categorically directed as follows:

"xxx xxx xxx"



2. In the meantime, we direct that no coercive steps be taken against the owners of the vehicles on the ground that they are 10 years old (in case of Diesel engine) and 15 years old (in case of Petrol engine)."

(Emphasis Supplied)

3. Perusal of the aforesaid order passed by Supreme Court shows that the Supreme Court has categorically directed that no coercive action shall be taken against the vehicles on the basis of their reaching the End of Life.
4. At this stage, learned counsel appearing for respondent no. 3, submits that the charges as per the Circular of the MCD, ought to be paid to respondent no. 3.
5. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is ready to pay the requisite towing away charges.
6. Accordingly, it is directed that the vehicle of the petitioner shall be released forthwith, by respondent no. 3.
7. The requisite towing away charges be paid by the petitioner to respondent no. 3.
8. Accordingly, with the aforesaid directions, the present petition, along with the pending application, is disposed of.

MINI PUSHKARNA, J

SEPTEMBER 10, 2025/SK