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

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MASTER ARNAV RAJ

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Jitendra Kumar Singh, Adv.
versus

DELHI PUBLIC SCHOOL & ANR.

.....Respondents

Through: Mr. Puneet Mittal, Sr. Adv. with Ms.
Sakshi Mendiratta, Adv. for R-1.
Mr. Dhruv Rohatgi and Mr. Dhruv
Kumar, Adv. for R-2/DoE.

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS MAHAJAN

ORDER

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22.05.2025

CM APPL. 31762/2025 (exemption)

1. Allowed, subject to all just exceptions.
2. The application stands disposed of.

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3. The present petition has been filed on behalf of the petitioner seeking direction to respondent no.1 school to restore the name of the petitioner in Class X and allow him to complete the Academic Session 2025-26.
4. The case set out by the petitioner in the present petition is that in the month of May 2023, the petitioner's father unfortunately met with a serious accident, which resulted in financial crisis for the family. Therefore, the petitioner was not able to pay the school fee on time, which resulted into passing of office order dated 17.03.2025 by the respondent no.1 school whereby the name of the petitioner was struck-off from the rolls of respondent no.1 school with immediate effect as per Rule 35 of Delhi School Education Rules, 1973.



5. Mr. Jitendra Kumar Singh, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner, on instructions from the petitioner's father, who has also joined through video conferencing, submits that the petitioner will pay the outstanding fee in equal instalments of Rs.50,000/- each per month. The statement is taken on record and the petitioner's father shall remain bound by the same.

6. Mr. Puneet Mittal, learned Senior Counsel appearing on behalf of the respondent no.1 school, on instructions, submits that the respondent no.1 school will not insist on payment of late fee. Accordingly, the amount which is outstanding from the petitioner to respondent no.1 school as on date is Rs.5,37,713/-.

7. In view of the statements made by learned counsel for the parties, the present petition is disposed of with a direction that the petitioner will pay monthly installment of Rs.50,000/- commencing from 01.06.2025 and continue to pay the same till the entire outstanding amount is cleared. The petitioner's father shall also continue to pay regular monthly school fee for current academic session as well, as and when demanded by the respondent no.1 school, besides clearing the above outstanding dues.

8. Mr. Mittal submits that in view of the order passed by this court, the respondent no.1 school will withdraw its office order dated 17.03.2025 and restore the name of the petitioner on the rolls of the school. The statement is taken on record and the respondent shall remain bound by the same.

9. The petition stands disposed of in the aforesaid terms.

VIKAS MAHAJAN, J

MAY 22, 2025/aj