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

+ **W.P.(C) 9094/2024**

AJIT KUMAR

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Sudeep Singh and Mr. Aditya,
Adv. (Through VC)

versus

MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF DELHI

.....Respondent

Through: Mr. Tushar Sannu, SC with Mr.
Shivam, Adv. for MCD

CORAM:

HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE MINI PUSHKARNA

ORDER

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21.05.2025

1. Learned counsel appearing for the respondent points out to the order dated 08th July, 2024, to submit that the present writ petition was entertained only because the Municipal Taxation Tribunal ("MTT"), was non-functional.
2. This Court is informed that MTT is now functional.
3. Accordingly, the petitioner is directed to seek his remedies before the MTT, by filing a statutory appeal in terms of the Delhi Municipal Corporation Act, 1957 ("DMC Act, 1957").
4. At this stage, learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that an amount of Rs. 8 Lacs already stands deposited with the Municipal Corporation of Delhi ("MCD"), against the original payment of Rs. 14,18,310/-.



5. The aforesaid statement is recorded and taken note of.
6. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that he may be granted protection for a period of four weeks for the purposes of filing the appeal before the MTT.
7. This Court notes that *vide* order dated 22nd July, 2024, this Court had granted protection to the petitioner herein, by restraining the respondent from taking any coercive action against the petitioner.
8. Accordingly, it is directed that for a period of four weeks, no coercive action shall be taken against the petitioner herein, in order to allow the petitioner to file a statutory appeal before the MTT, in terms of the DMC Act, 1957.
9. It is clarified that, in case, the petitioner does not file the statutory appeal before the MTT within the time granted by this Court, the protection as granted by today's order, shall automatically lapse after the said period of four weeks.
10. With the aforesaid directions, the present writ petition is accordingly, disposed of.

MINI PUSHKARNA, J

MAY 21, 2025/Kr